

# CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

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The Wheeler Times  
Staff and their families,  
Louis and Barbara Stas  
The Kenneth Nelson Family  
& Drew Hillhouse



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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

# 2 'CASH' DRAWINGS SET FOR THURSDAY

**CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR**  
By Louis C. Stas

You are still #1 with us, Mustangs! It simply was not to be. They certainly did not win without a struggle.

Monday's *Amarillo Daily News* carried the names and pictures of the 1998 Globe-News Super Team. Aaron Dunnam and Ben Britt. Coach Verden was 'Coach of the Year'.

Ft. Elliott had some of their players recognized in the *Amarillo Daily News* Six Man football team. Congratulations to C. J. Bryant, Freshman of the Year and Nathan Hefley, Sophomore of the Year and second team defense. Curt Smith Jr., second team offense quarterback.

The fog, drizzle and snow received Saturday evening, Sunday and Sunday night produced 0.10 inches of moisture. There was just enough ice to catch one off guard. Fortunately we did not have any ambulance calls because of the ice.

The temperature Tuesday morning was -3. We had a high of 16 for the day.

The Nelsons were on hand to see Ginger receive her BS Degree in Chemistry. The Richard Porters and (Continued Page 11)

## 2nd Nathaniel Hillhouse Memorial Toys for Tots

The second annual Nathaniel Hillhouse Toys for Tots drive is underway in Wheeler. Sponsors are the Wheeler County Sheriff's Department, Wheeler Banking Center and First State Bank.

New of good serviceable used toys are needed. Items are being collected for youths from 0-15 years of age. If you wrap a gift please include sex and age on the gift tag on each gift.

These gifts may be the only Christmas some children may receive. Your gifts will be greatly appreciated.

Please leave the Toys or Donations at any of the above named locations.

If someone is aware of needy families, please contact Wheeler Sheriff's Department with families names, ages and sex.

Your help and contributions are appreciated.

## Communion Service Set

Christmas Eve Communion Services at the Church of the Nazarene in Wheeler will be on Christmas Eve at 7:00 P.M.

Regular Sunday services at the local church are at 11:00 A.M. and 4 P.M.

Bible Study is Thursday evening at 6:00 P.M.

## Hospital Notes

- Old Admissions**
- Estelle Orr
  - Winifred Buckingham
  - Monroe Seitz
  - Virginia Frye
  - Ruth Ledbetter
- New Admissions**
- 12/15 Esther Forrester
  - Jane Rives
  - 12/17 Elsie Chester
  - 12/18 Clara Holmes
- Dismissals**
- 12/14 Bert Betenbough
  - 12/17 Marquerite Robinson
  - 12/18 Esther Forrester
  - Joe Taylor
  - Calvin Haws

Over half the \$1,500 'Cash' to be given away during December by the Wheeler Chamber of Commerce and the Wheeler will be handed out Christmas Eve. Two drawings will be held Thursday due to the postponement of the drawing Saturday.

The state play-off football game was Saturday evening in Bedford, so the drawing was postponed to Thursday. The drawing for Saturday in the amount of \$400 will be held prior to the regular drawing, also in the amount of \$400.

The first seventeen tickets claimed Thursday will be worth a total of \$400. The envelopes will be ten \$10, four \$25, two \$50 and one \$100.

Eight lucky shoppers will share the second \$400 to be given out Christmas Eve. These amounts will be four \$25, two \$50 and two \$100.

Note: The *Times* was in error last week on the division of the money on Christmas Eve. In the fourth drawing, the ten \$100 envelopes are eliminated and an extra \$100 envelope is added.

The annual Christmas Drawing is again being offered by the progressive merchants of Wheeler. Certificates will be given away during December totaling \$1500. The merchants of Wheeler feel this is one way they can thank you, their customers, for the support you have given them during the year and are giving you a chance to share the profits.

Merchants began giving tickets on Friday, November 27. You are eligible for a ticket each time you enter a sponsoring business; with each \$5.00 spent, you will receive an additional ticket—up to 100 tickets per purchase.

Four drawings will be held. The first two drawings were held on Saturdays, December 5, 12. The third drawing has been postponed until Christmas Eve and the fourth and final drawing will also be Christmas Eve, Thursday, December 24. The drawings will begin at 2:30 p.m. again this year. Some 58 lucky Wheeler shoppers will have Wheeler cash to spend again this year. The drawings will be in the amounts of \$300 on the first Saturday, \$400 on the second Saturday and \$800 on Christmas Eve.

As has been the practice for the past several years, script is given away to the lucky individuals instead of cash. The script can be spent like money with any of the participating merchants. The 'money' will be in \$5 increments.

Remember, each time you enter participating stores, you are entitled to a ticket; ask for it, sign it, deposit the ticket in the containers, which are conveniently located in the sponsoring firms.

You will receive one ticket per each \$5.00 of the purchase value-up to a maximum of 100.

When the day of the drawing arrives, all of the tickets will be placed in a large container and the winners drawn. You **MUST** be present to win; however, husbands and wives may claim each other's prizes.

Each sponsor giving tickets will display a poster in their window, indicating they are giving drawing tickets.

Drawing tickets have been available since Friday, November 27, 1998 at sponsoring businesses.

The merchants giving tickets are: Appearances, Burton Ford Mercury Inc., Hefley Hardware, Hyland's Pharmacy, Johnny's Shamrock Service Station, L & F Repairs, Marshall Discount Auto, McIlhany's Dry Goods, Thriftway, Ware Chevrolet-Buick-Olds & Pontiac Inc., Wheeler Flower Shop, and Wheeler Lumber Company.

Those merchants sponsoring the drawings are: Albert's Service Station, Appearances, Dr. Larry Barbour, Britt Ranch, Burton Ford Mercury Inc., Cross Car Center, Eastern Panhandle Insurance Agcy. Inc, Steve Emmert, Attorney at Law, First State Bank, General Store, GTE, H & R Block Tax Service, Hefley Hardware, Heritage Beef Cattle Co. Inc., Hibler Implement Co., Honey Inn, Hyland's Pharmacy, Jenning's Plumbing, Heating & Air Conditioning, Johnny's Shamrock Service Station, Jones Fuels, Charles F. Kuntz PCA, L & F Repair, Ada Lou Lester, Marshall Discount Auto, Marshall's Heating & Air Conditioning, Maxey's Steakhouse, Dr. Louie Mendiola, Mels Diner, Mr. Bar-B-Que, Mustang Video, McCain's Auto Body, McIlhany Dry Goods, Parkview Hospital, R&M Quality Car Wash, Rolling Plains Production Credit Assoc., Dr. Mike Smith, Sparlin's Restaurant, Speedi-Mart, Sunrise Healthcare (formerly Wheeler Care Center), Texaco, The Wheeler Times, Thriftway, Ware Chevrolet-Buick-Olds & Pontiac Inc., West Texas Gas Co., Wheeler Area News, Wheeler Banking Center, Wheeler Flower Shop, Wheeler Lumber Company, Wheeler Plumbing, Wheeler TV, Wheeler Vet Clinic, and Wright Funeral Home.

# Dec. 28 thru Jan. 3 Declared "Wheeler Mustang Week"

## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, The Wheeler Mustangs advanced to the State Finals Play-off Game;

WHEREAS, It is through hard work and determination they earned the 1998 State Semi-Finalists title;

WHEREAS, The Mustangs earned Wheeler School and the City of Wheeler state-wide recognition;

THEREFORE, The Mayor and City Council of the City of Wheeler, Texas, proclaim the week of December 28, 1998 thru January 3, 1999, as "WHEELER MUSTANG WEEK".

PROCLAIMED THIS 22nd day of December, 1998.



PROCLAMATION SIGNED: The week of December 28 thru January 3 has been declared "Wheeler Mustang Week" in Wheeler. Mayor Wanda Herd is shown here signing the proclamation.

Wanda Herd  
Mayor, City of Wheeler

# Fires Saturday & Sunday Destroy Two Homes

## Two Youngsters Taken To Lubbock Burn Center

Two homes were destroyed by fires over the weekend. Wheeler Volunteer Fire Department was called out early Saturday morning and again Sunday evening. Two youngsters were taken by helicopter to Lubbock burn center, later Saturday morning.

The fire Saturday was at 509 Comanche in Wheeler. Two youngsters in the house at the time of the fire were taken by ambulance to Parkview Hospital and later transported by helicopter to the burn center in Lubbock. This fire is believed to have been started by the hot water heater. The house was totaled by flames, heat and smoke. The Wheeler Volunteer Fire Department and Am-

bulance were paged at 5:22 a.m. Saturday.

Five area fire departments responded to a fire eight miles north of Allison Sunday. The Allison, Wheeler, Briscoe, Gem City and Canadian fire departments responded, along with the North Wheeler County Ambulance Service. This fire at the home of the Pat Heltons is believed to have been started by Christmas lights.

Due to the distance and road conditions, it took the Wheeler Volunteer Fire Department nearly an hour to arrive on the scene.

Once again, the house was a total loss. It may be possible to save some items in two of the bedrooms.

## City Council Has Special Meeting Dec. 17

December 17, 1998  
Mayor Wanda Herd called the special meeting to order.

Karen Babcock with PRPC met with the council to discuss the Wheeler Recreational Complex. She discussed the steps of which the city would go through in order to get a grant to help with the funding of the Recreational Complex. She would apply for the City with the Texas Parks and Wildlife to obtain a grant that would pay 50% and the city would pay 50% for the cost of constructing the Recreational Complex.

Barbara Koelzer made the motion, seconded by Bob McCain to proceed with the submission of a grant application to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for improvements of the City's recreational facilities. The motion carried unanimously.

Kathleen Frankenberg made motion, seconded by Don Rose to set the first Public Hearing Monday, January 4, 1999, at 7:00 p.m. at the Wheeler School Cafeteria. The purpose of this meeting is to obtain citizen input about the potential application and to hear citizen comments relating to the future development of parks and recreational activities in Wheeler.

Don Rose made motion the meet-

ing adjourn. Kathleen Frankenberg seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned.

Those present: Mayor Wanda Herd, Council members: Kathleen Frankenberg, Barbra Koelzer, Bob McCain and Don Rose. Karen Babcock, Tim McLemore, Bobby Hill, Beth Alvey, Jim Alvey, Charles Brown, Harrison Hall, Nic Ware, Bobby Ware, Lee Ann Hillhouse, Rodger Ferguson, Charles Kuntz, Terry McCasland, Glyndol Holland, Cecil Thomas, Lynn Holland, W. L. Jolly, Alvin Martin, Nora Martin, Earl Jolly, Chad Shadle and Claudine Finsterwald.

## Truman Olen Bradstreet Rites Are Read Dec. 11

Truman Olen Bradstreet, 82, died Tuesday, December 8, 1998.

Services were at 2 p.m. Friday in First Baptist Church in Wheeler with the Rev. Charlie Floyd of Texola, Okla., officiating. Burial was in Wheeler Cemetery by Wright Funeral Directors.

Mr. Bradstreet was born in Wheeler County where he was a lifelong resident. He was an Army veteran of World War II. For 16 years, he was employed by Wheeler County.

Mr. Bradstreet was a farmer and rancher for most of his life. He was a member of the American Legion.

He married Lena Rushing in 1978. His first marriage was to Mary Issabell Daniels in 1941. She died in 1965.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Clifford Bradstreet of Wheeler and Riley Bradstreet of Mobeetie; three daughters, Mary Ann Farrington, Francis Bradstreet and Crystal Heath, all of Oklahoma City; a stepdaughter, Pat Chandler of Amarillo; three sisters, Linda Hall of Shamrock, Lola Cole of Florida and Billie Reintz of Panama City, Fla.; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

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## Wheeler County Warm-Up Show Held

Youth from all over the Panhandle were in Wheeler, Saturday, December 5 and Sunday, December 6 for the Wheeler County Warm-Up Show. The jackpot lamb and cattle show was sponsored by the Wheeler Livestock Boosters.

One hundred eleven lambs were entered in the lamb show on Saturday. The Grand Champion Lamb was shown by J'Lond Jarecki of Friona and the Reserve Grand by Kristi Edward of Dimmitt both with medium wool lambs. Other Breed Champions

and Reserve Champions came from Perryton, Hereford, Sweetwater, Amarillo, Vega, Shamrock, Childress, Canadian, Elk City, Sayre, Miami, Panhandle and Canyon.

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A VISIT WITH SANTA: Letters can be written, but there is nothing like a personal visit with Santa to make sure he understands what you are wanting. These three young men, (l. to r.) Josh and Nick Hardcastle and Brock Sabbe took up a little of Santa's time at the Chamber of Commerce Open House on November 29 and 30. The young men are first graders at Wheeler.

—photo by LeeAnn Hillhouse

If I were a wise man, I would do my part;  
Yet what can I give Him? Give him  
"my heart!"  
—Christina Rossetti on a card. A  
favorite poem.

Good to visit with Ray Hudson and  
his mom, Lois, at Maxeys Saturday  
night. Ray is hoping to get moved to  
his home in Briscoe in early January  
and take water therapy in Pampa two  
days a week. Keep praying for Ray

and Lois. So good to see him looking  
well, but using crutches still.

Cheryl Fraley and Steven are living  
at Boys Ranch. She is working there  
with Medical Records and other  
things. Steven enjoys horseback  
riding and other activities and boys  
there. Pray for them. Nice to have  
Ray and Lois out to Gageby Church  
Sunday. Precious People. Ray can  
drive now.

Brad and Sarita Dawson and Dal-  
las and Micaela visited Laurel and Ed  
Hershman Saturday. Brad and Dal-  
las hunted at Willas and Dallas got a  
deer.

Ed and Laurel Hershman, Delilah  
Hershman and Naomi Speck ate  
lunch at the Pizza Hut in Shamrock  
Sunday. They were sorry to hear that  
Tuesday, Dec. 22, would be the last  
day for the Pizza Hut to be open if no  
changes made.

Doris Finsterwald hosted a deli-  
cious potluck supper and 3 tables of  
80 Friday night. The house was de-  
corated beautifully. Think I only won  
one game, but it was fun. Ones there  
were C. B. and Maurine Brotherton,  
Nova Powledge, Jo Redding, Evelyn  
Meek, Lois Meadows, J. P. and  
Martha Meek, Lou Dean Douthit, Willis  
and Verna Fillingim, and Doris.

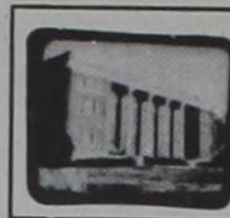
Wilma Bible and Nancy Weatherly  
sold their house in Amarillo and moved  
to Fritch to RR2, Box 42-16 Fritch,  
79036. Tom and Michelle and Carla  
also live there.

Ft. Elliott High School basketball  
teams will play at Shamrock Tues-  
day, Dec. 29, at 4, for J.V.'s and 6:30  
varsity. Ft. Elliott High School basket-  
ball Tourney will be Thursday to Sat-  
urday, Dec. 31 to Jan. 2

We are expecting a visit from  
LaJuana (McElroy) and Lance  
Caroland and maybe others new  
Year's Eve for the weekend.

Shirley Jolly and Vickey Nelson  
went to Elk City Friday and had a nice  
time visiting and shopping.

Bro. Aaron and Claudetta Laverty  
prepared a delicious appreciation  
supper Wednesday for all Gageby  
Church members able to be there.  
Homemade bread, homemade  
noodles were served with delicious  
beef tips, frozen cherry salad and  
cake. Aaron gave a monologue about  
his Christmas list. We enjoyed visit-  
ing. Others there were Dan and  
Theresa Trimble, David and Winnie  
Gilmer, Willa Fillingim, Evelyn Meek,  
J. P. and Martha Meek, Lois Mead-



ows and Willis and Verna Fillingim.  
Thanks, Lavertys. It was good.  
"The journey to Bethlehem is not  
far . . ."

One step of faith will bring us to  
the promised king.  
Where he waits for us with open  
arms of love."  
—Rebecca Barlow Jordan on a  
card.

We had a call from son, Danny,  
and Chris Saturday night. They had  
gotten all set up in Elko. Pretty nice  
out there in Nevada, just a dusting of  
snow.

Jennifer Maddox took five pigs to  
the Jack Pot Pig show at Perryton  
Saturday. She took a York, a Hamp-  
shire and 3 Durocs. Amber showed  
two of them. Jennifer got reserve  
breed champion on the York. There  
were about 230 pigs there. Jimmy  
and Tammy Maddox and Georgia  
Tippis also went and Terry Tippis and  
Zachary, Adam and Casey from  
Fritch. Zachary came home with the  
group to spend this week. Terry and  
the others will come down for Christ-  
mas.

Nice to visit with Sue Harrison Sat-  
urday at Thriftway. She and Gene  
had been to Carnegie, Okla., to visit  
Gene's mom, Thelma Harrison, for  
the day. She is doing pretty well.

Sorry Wheeler football team lost  
out at State against Tenaha.

Sorry to hear that the home of Jeff  
Corcoran and family burned early  
Saturday morning at Wheeler. Two of  
their boys, Jessie and Colby, were  
burned somewhat and Medivaced to  
Lubbock to the burn center, but are  
doing pretty well.

Getting together at Sybil and Iva  
Alexanders home in Lefors for a  
Christmas get together Saturday night  
were Larry and Vickey Nelson, Jimmy  
and Ken Nelson, Greg Koelzer, Danny  
and Mary Nelson and Danielle and  
Amy, Susan and Dave Reichstad from  
Fritch, Margaret Rusk, Debi Hall from  
Clarendon and Sheri and Chel Cox  
from Oklahoma.

Phyllis Heffley went to Wheeler  
Sunday and went to church with  
Pauline Heffley, Jim and Beth Alvey  
and Tina Tabor and Emily from Ar-  
kansas. They ate lunch together at  
Mel's.

The Golden Agers group from First  
Baptist Church of Wheeler went to  
Pampa to the Special Christmas pro-  
gram at Central Baptist Church and  
saw the lights at Recreation Park.  
They also went to Elk City to see the  
lights one night.

At Amarillo, Debbie Kinnaman had  
to have back surgery Monday. Doc-  
tor removed one disk and repaired  
another herniated disk. She got to  
come home Wednesday. Lou Dean  
Douthit went up to be with her and  
stayed with niece, Pat (Waters)  
Brogden, and her husband, John.  
Pat had to have colon surgery for a  
blockage recently, but didn't have to  
have treatments. Pray for these la-  
dies.

Joey and Risa Keelin and Matt  
from Pasadena and Shelby Cobey  
came Saturday to spend about a week  
with Rosalie Keelin and others. Other  
Sunday dinner guests were Gene  
and Norma Keelin and Kara Kay,  
Daniel and Tracy. They are going to  
meet Cindy Keelin from Pasadena  
and James and Tammy Cobey from  
Goldthwaite at Amarillo Wednesday  
to stay till after Christmas. Cindy  
manages Subway stores.

Willa Fillingim goes to Shamrock  
nearly everyday to visit E. G. She  
hopes to bring him out to the house  
for Christmas. Willa went to Pampa  
with Laurel and Delilah Hershman  
Wednesday.

Willa has been having trouble with  
bob cats. Don Logan caught two in  
traps and hopes a zoo at Amarillo will  
want them.

Saturday Gayle Singleton from  
Amarillo came and visited E.G.  
Fillingim and Charles Crownover and  
Willa Fillingim and did some jobs for  
Willa. Always appreciated.

Nice to have Kathy Meek from  
Canyon and Sandra Meek from  
Panhandle out to church at Gageby  
Sunday. Kathy was taking Evelyn  
back with her Sunday afternoon to be  
there for Evelyn's check-up on Mon-  
day. Keep praying for Evelyn.

Kaleb Meek came home from  
Bethany College Thursday to be here  
till sometime in January. He is help-  
ing his dad, Mark, with cows and  
fences.

Nice to have Dan and Chris Fillingim  
meet us for supper at Maxeys Tues-  
day night. Dan had been getting Right  
of Ways for Fiber-Optic Casings in  
Minnesota and Iowa. Just got back to  
Elk City Saturday. They were getting  
things together to leave Wednesday  
to go to Nevada. They planned to  
meet Dallas and Lindsey Fillingim for  
lunch in Amarillo Wednesday on their  
way. They will be getting more right-  
of-ways in Nevada, Utah, etc., but will  
live in their travel trailer at Elko, Nev.  
Nice to see Dr. Bob and Glenda  
Galutia at Maxeys and Billy

McWhorter and Tanner and Tyler.  
Also met some lovely people: Dan  
and Tony Turner and Jordan Eliza-  
beth from Erick. They were on their  
way to Allison to see a ball game.  
They told us The Honey Farm had  
changed hands. A lovely couple with  
four children are fixing it up and wel-  
come school children and others. Lots  
of new crafts and ideas. Tony's sister  
is Sandra Wright, who is married to  
Andrew Wright, who was a math  
teacher at Briscoe at one time. Andrew  
and Sandra both teach at  
Reydon. Their little Chris is now 11  
and looks much like his dad in the  
picture they had. Would like to see  
the Wrights. God bless you!

Happy 50th anniversary to Wallace  
and Cecile Fields of Shamrock.

So sorry to hear that Pat and Albert  
Helton's home burned North of Allison  
on the former Bowers Ranch Sunday  
night. It appears to have smoldered

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**MEALS on WHEELS MENU**

**MONDAY, December 28, 1998 —  
FRIDAY, January 1, 1999**

**MONDAY:** Fried Chicken, Mashed  
Potatoes/Gravy, Seasoned Broccoli,  
Peas

**TUESDAY:** Fried Chicken Livers,  
Macaroni and Cheese, Mixed Veg-  
etables, Roll/Margarine, Plum Pud-  
ding

**WEDNESDAY:** Smothered Pork  
Chops, Blackeyed Peas, Fried Okra,  
Cornbread/Margarine, Pineapple  
Bake

**THURSDAY:** Chicken Rice Cas-  
serole, Broccoli, Roll/Margarine, Cake

**FRIDAY:** Frito Pie, Spanish Rice,  
Tossed Salad/Dressing, Bread/Mar-  
garine, Bread Pudding

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Tale Batton, age 7, and Lexi Batton,  
age 4, are the children of Stephen and  
Tammy Batton of Spearman. Grandpar-  
ents are Jim and Kay Batton of Mobeetie,  
Sonny and Marlane Nollner and Jeanie  
and Dave Hand of Spearman. Great-  
grandparents are Betty Arrington of Mi-  
ami and Georgie McLeod and Lois  
Nollner of Spearman.

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'99 Ranger XLT

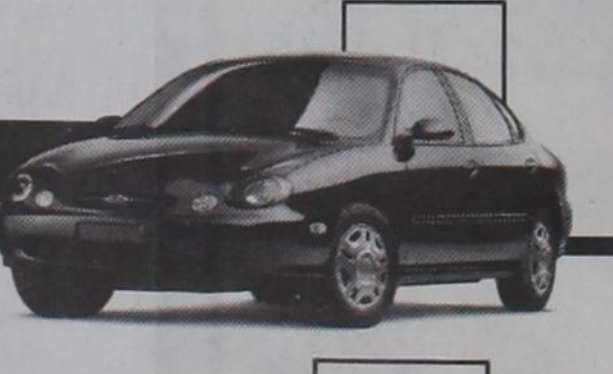
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# Come let us adore Him



Like those shepherds on that first Christmas long ago, let us go to the manger and kneel before the newborn King. . . may His love fill every heart at this holy season.

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## MOBEETIE NEWS

By: Melba Corcoran

Geniva Corcoran is in Baptist St. Anthony Hospital in Amarillo. She has an infection they are trying to get cleared up so she can have her chemotherapy treatments. Dale and Melba visited her Friday night.

Remember Claudia Johnston Martin. She has cancer. Also her son Jay Martin has cancer and is not doing well at all. Remember both of them.

Congratulations to Keith and Shara Bell on the birth of Heather Mercedes on December 9 at 8:03 P.M. Heather weighed 5 pounds and 14 ounces and was 19 1/5 inches long. She is doing fine. Heather went back Friday for a checkup and weighed in at 7 pounds. She was welcome by two brothers Michael and Jayton. Grandparents Mike and Barbara Bell, Joe Kelley and Faith Price. Great-grandparents are Bill and Betty Rains, Betty Hill and Flora Mae Kelley.

Dennis Hilburn, Diane Jones and Dale Corcoran worked Wednesday at Mt. Zion Cemetery. They brushed dirt and picked up trash and got it where you could see the graves. Thursday Dennis and Dale went back and used the weedeater at the cemetery. This is one of the forgotten cemeteries in the United States. There have been flowers on some of the graves so the people weren't forgotten. They want to keep the cemetery clean from now on. This is one way to volunteer and do some good. They plan on trying to keep it mowed this next year. Dennis, Diane and Denise made by and saw the shape it was in and decided to do something about it.

Dale and Melba Corcoran shopped and tended to business in Amarillo

Tuesday.

Rob Hogan had his surgery on his right hand and arm Wednesday in Amarillo. He got to come home Thursday. He is doing real well. He has the feeling back in his fingers.

Mt. View Quilting Club held their Christmas Party Thursday. They quilted, had lunch and then had their party in the afternoon. Those quilting were Estelle Hodges, Audrey Seitz, Martha Meek, Betty Haines, Charlotte Coward and Melba Corcoran. Visitors were Larami Lancaster, Aaron and Arica Lancaster. Betty's quilt wasn't finished. Estelle Hodges will put her quilt in next. Betty's will be done in about 2 hours and Estelle's

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will be put in to finish up that day.

Dale and Melba Corcoran and Denzel and Fern Reed visited Wednesday night with Pauline Barnes and Joey Stone.

Our sympathy goes out to the family of Orbie Ovella Offutt. She is the aunt of Judge Morgan and great-aunt of Barbara Rector.

Nicole and Carri from Borger visited their mother Diane Jones and great-grandmother Charlotte Coward Wednesday.

Dale and Melba Corcoran went to Pampa Wednesday afternoon on business. They visited with Bill and Dutch Elliott. They all went out to supper at Furr's. Dutch will start her chemotherapy on Monday. She will take five days and wait a month to take the next session. She will have some radiation worked in with the chemotherapy. She is doing real well.

Jess Mixon fell at his home Wednesday and suffered a hair line fracture of two of his floating rib. He is in lots of pain. Deanna and Jess hit a dog with their car and have just got it out of the shop. Dale took her to get the car Thursday.

Orville Greenhouse and Lorene Rector shopped and tended to business in Wheeler Wednesday.

Gordon Estes retired from the railroad and is enjoying being at home. This is quite a change for them. All of their married life Gordon was gone from home more than he was home on train runs. We wish them lots of enjoyment on his retirement. I know Wanda will enjoy having help with the livestock this winter.

Kevin Corcoran of Pampa visited Friday with Dale and Melba Corcoran.

Coby Corcoran and Jessie Carter were burned Saturday in a fire at their home and were taken to Lubbock where Jessie was put in the burn center. Coby was on the third floor. We called and talked to Coby. He was doing great so the nurses told us. This was before their parents Jeff and Margaret Corcoran had got to Lubbock. Coby was dismissed Sunday morning from the hospital. Jessie is doing some better Sunday evening.

Dale and Melba Corcoran picked Pauline Barnes up Saturday afternoon and went to Denzil and Fern Reeds to play cards. They also listened to the Wheeler Football game. Good game boys, sorry you didn't win.

Visiting over the weekend with Don and Willene Burke were their children. Greg and Rhonda Burke and children of Wichita Falls, David Mullins of Amarillo, Amber Mullins of Pampa and Terry and Chris Mullins. They had their Christmas. Loy and Pat Burke were unable to attend due to being iced in.

Remember Dinzal and Nell Leonard's great-granddaughter in your prayers. She is four years old and in ICU in Amarillo.

Those going to the Nursing Home Sunday to sing were Doris Finsterwald, Marion Grimes, and Dale and Melba Corcoran. The Baptist Youth Department went Christmas Caroling Sunday night.

Doyle and Bulah Grimes had their Christmas Dinner Sunday. They had family starting to come in on Friday. Those attending were their children Jerry and Beverly Grimes, Gary and Marilyn Grimes both of Amarillo, Phyllis Tucker of Elkhart, KS. Grandchildren and great-grandchildren attending were Marvin Grimes and

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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

Darren Grimes both of Lubbock, Chris and Dixie Pudy, Dillon and Carle of Guymon, OK, Auden and Derenda Aranda and Ramie of Elkhart, KS, Kelly Grimes, Kendra Grimes, Chris and D'Wan Ballard, Devin all of Amarillo, Shanna Akers, Ryan and Kyle of Houston and Brent and Gena Grimes and Zachary of Hydro, OK. Bobby Galmor of Shamrock and Betty Talley of Miami visited with them on Saturday.

Monday Doyle and Bulah Grimes went to Amarillo and visited with Gary and Marilyn Grimes. Gary took Bulah to the doctor to have the stitches out of her foot. She got to quit wearing the surgery shoe.

Tuesday night Leola Stuart went to Elk City to Clois and Rita Richardson for a domino party. Others there were Ivy Richardson of Erick and Dale and Barbara Richardson of Elk City.

Leola Stuart went to Lubbock Friday and came home Sunday. She visited Dennis and Vanessa Stuart and Garrett. Vanessa graduated with a master's degree Saturday. Ivy Richardson of Erick, Ok came and stayed with Gladys Richardson while Leola was gone.

Visiting with Hugh and Mae Bailey Sunday were Glen and Lois Hughes of Fritch, Kay Williams of Canadian and Richard Dickey of Wheeler.

April Finsterwald is home for the holidays. She is visiting her parents Bobby and Mary Nell Finsterwald and Andy. She goes back to work January 5 and back to school.

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List of instruments filed in the Wheeler County Clerk's Office from December 2, 1998 to December 8, 1998

**DECEMBER 2, 1998**  
 AMEND OL—Marilyn McCoy to Crescendo Resources LP, 11-2-98, Sec. 26, Camp County School Land.  
 DT—Al Cunningham to Amarillo National Bank, 11-27-98, S 1/2 Sec. 27, Blk. A-5, H & G.N. Ry. Company Survey.  
 ASSIGN—Shanda Bruton to Red Rock Operating Company, 11-18-98, SE 1/4 Sec. 26, SE 1/4 Sec. 35, SE 1/4

4 Sec. 48, SE 1/4 Sec. 55, Blk. 13, H & G.N. Ry. Company Survey.  
 TRUST AGREEMENT—Harry E. Fanks to Harry E. Fanks Scholarship Trust, 11-24-98.  
 OL—Donnie Lynette Calcote O'Gorman to Hemera Land Inc., 9-18-98, NW 1/4 Sec. 59, Blk. A-7, H & G.N. Ry. Company Survey.  
 OL—Frances Larue Brown to Hemera Land Inc., 9-24-98, E 1/2 W 1/2 SE 1/4; E 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 5, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.  
**DECEMBER 3, 1998**  
 TRUSTEE OL—J. C. Moore Jr. Trust to Sonat Exploration Company, 4-21-98, S 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec. 26, Blk. RE, Robert & Eddleman Survey.  
 UNIT DESIGN—Sonat Exploration Company to Vernon Eugene Shelton, et al, 11-30-98, S 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec. 26, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

AOL—Don Gullquist to Saxet Resources Inc., 11-24-98, 277.26 acs. Sec. 1, C & M Survey, 121.86 acs. of Thomas James Survey.  
 RATIF. OL—Frantz E. Howard to Blackrock Resources L. L. C., 11-5-98, See Instrument.  
 RATIF. OL—Geneva D. Vinson to Blackrock Resources L. L. C., 10-14-98, See Instrument.  
 RATIF. OL—Betty L. Roland to Blackrock Resources L. L. C., 10-2-98, See Instrument.  
 QUIT CLAIM MD—Sherrill L. Dawson McDonald, et al to Josephine Dawson, 7-26-98, W 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec. 46, Blk. A-7, H & G.N. Ry. Company Survey.  
 QCD—Walter F. and Claire J. Liston Trust to Walter F. and Claire J. Liston Trust #2, 11-24-98, Pt. Sec. 123, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
 AOL—Ron Pedersen to Blackjack Oil & Gas Inc., 3-4-97, Sec. 90, Blk. 13, H&GN Ry. Company Survey and Sec. 80, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
 AOL—M. K. M. Energies Inc. to Tony Garcia, 11-18-97, Sec. 90, Blk. 13, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
 AOL—Blackjack Oil & Gas Inc. to Tony Garcia, 11-5-98, Sec. 90, Blk. 13, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
 COR. HEIRSHIP AFF—Mary Elizabeth Olenchak, et al to Albert Elton Hunt, et ux, 9-25-92, See Instrument.  
 COR. ROY D—Joe Olenchak, et ux to Lila Mozelle Hunt Roberson, 9-25-92, See Instrument.  
**DECEMBER 4, 1998**  
 D—Monte Cornett, et ux to Bill Brittan,

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DATA CONTROL CODE	REVENUES:	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES		TOTALS (MEMORANDUM ONLY)	
		100-199 GENERAL FUND	200-499 SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	98 AUGUST 31, 1998	97 AUGUST 31, 1997
5700	Local and Intermediate Sources	800,997	36,300	837,297	837,735
5800	State Program Revenues	30,788	36,050	66,838	37,600
5900	Federal Program Revenues	16,842		16,842	12,835
5030	Total Revenues	848,628	72,350	920,978	888,170
	EXPENDITURES:				
	Current:				
0010	Instruction and Instructional Related Serv.	221,334	72,350	293,684	213,546
0020	Instructional and School Leadership	46,784		46,784	44,065
0030	Support Services - Student (Pupil)	99,024		99,024	70,215
0040	Administrative Support Services	95,120		95,120	89,198
0050	Support Services - Nonstudent Based	100,169		100,169	96,525
0080	Capital Outlay	3,434		3,434	1,249
0090	Intergovernmental Charges	314,796		314,796	358,915
6050	Total Expenditures	880,661	72,350	953,011	873,713
1100	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures				14,457
7910	Other Resources	41,055		41,055	59,917
8910	Other Uses	41,055		41,055	42,241
1200	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Resources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses	(32,033)	(0)	(32,034)	32,133
0100	Fund Balance - September 1 (beginning)	1,161,206	2,429	1,163,635	1,131,501
1300	Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance	2,429	(2,429)	0	0
3000	Fund Balance - August 31 (ending)	1,131,602	(0)	1,131,602	1,163,634

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11-2-98, Lots 5-7, Blk. 60, WSSA, Shamrock.  
 HEIRSHIP AFF—Lori A. Daffron, et al to James B. Pagliotti, et ux, 11-3-98.  
 MD—James Daniel Pagliotti to Spindletop Exploration Company Inc., 11-3-98, Sec. 48, Blk. 24, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
 RELEASE STATE TAX LIEN—United States of America to Jerry W. Latham, et ux, 11-9-98.  
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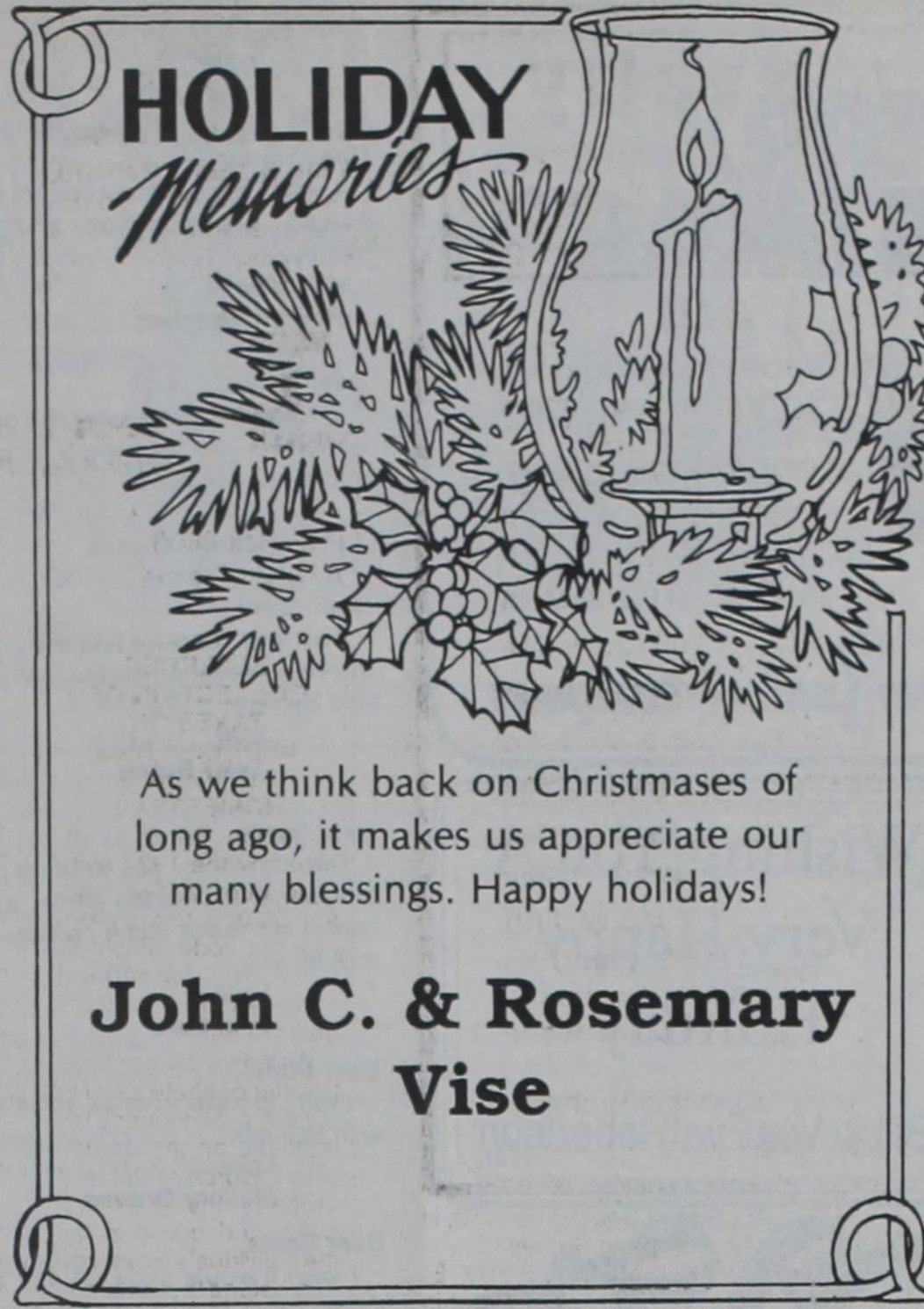
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AOL—Twister Gas Services L. L. C. to Raydon Exploration Corp., 7-1-98, Sec. 45, Blk. A-5, H & G.N. Ry. Company Survey.  
 RELEASE A OF JUDG—Danco Oil Tools, et al to Jess Sheets, 11-24-98. ASSUMPTION WD—Jess W. Sheets to Jason Sheets, 11-25-98, SW 1/4 & W 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 69, Blk. 24, H&GN Ry. Company Survey, and all of Sec. 52, Blk. 24, H&GN Ry. Company Survey, exc. 20 acs.  
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Let every heart around the world rejoice this happy and Holy time. Thanks, all.

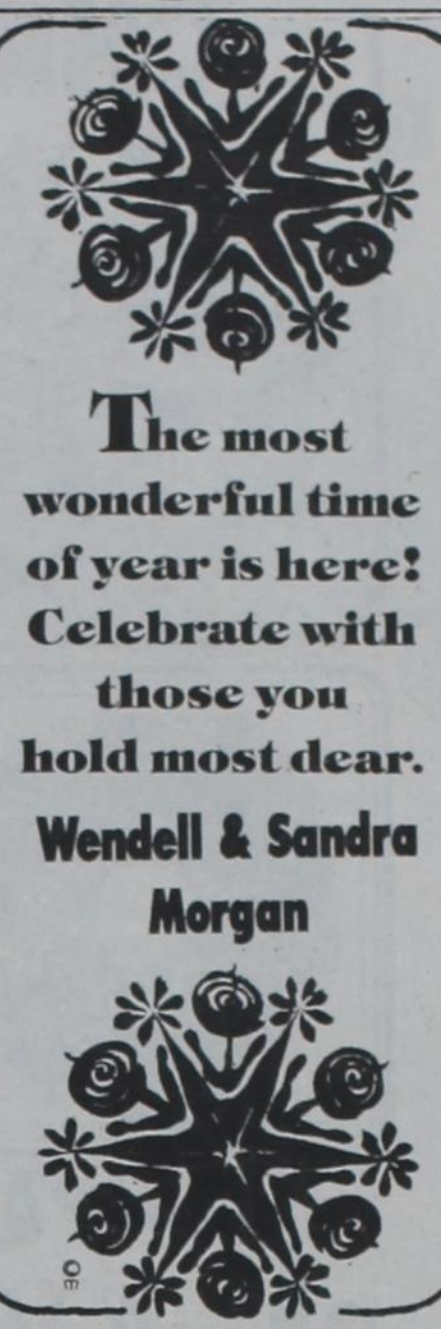
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# HOLIDAY Memories

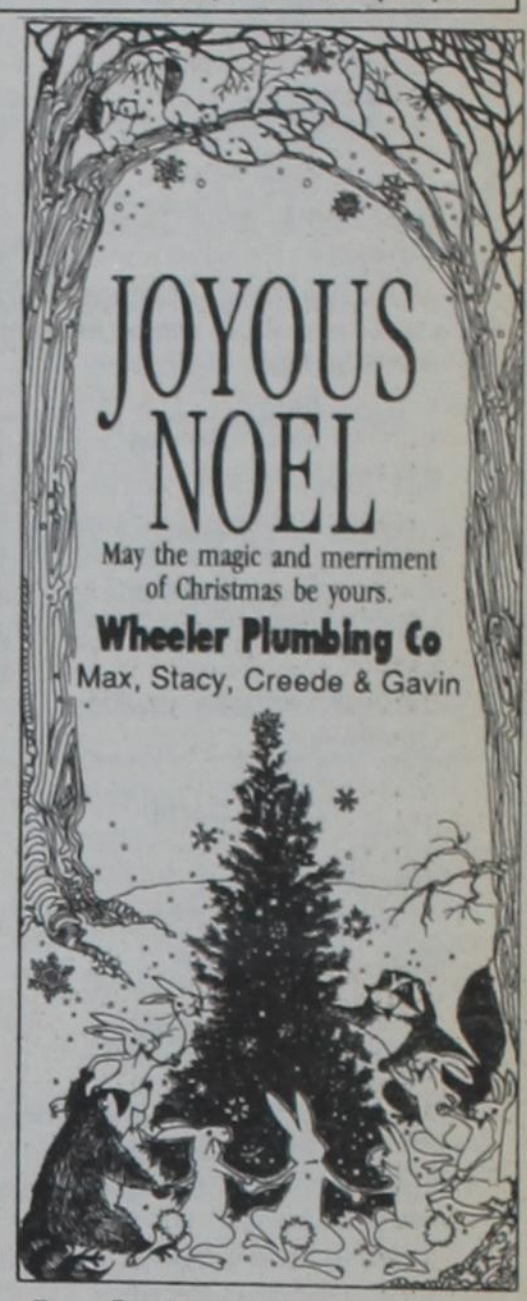
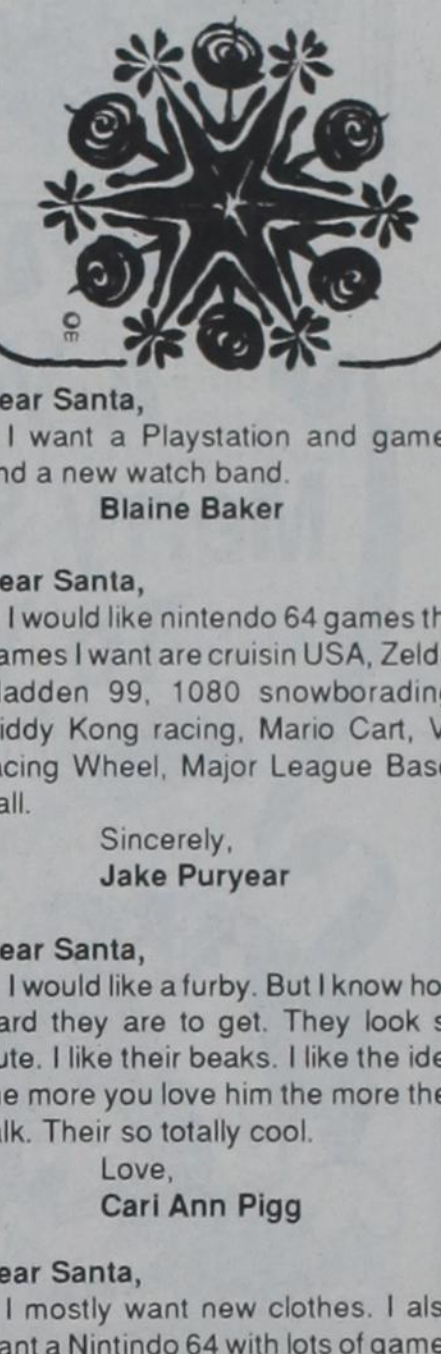
As we think back on Christmases of long ago, it makes us appreciate our many blessings. Happy holidays!

**John C. & Rosemary Vise**



The most wonderful time of year is here! Celebrate with those you hold most dear.

**Wendell & Sandra Morgan**



# JOYOUS NOEL

May the magic and merriment of Christmas be yours.

**Wheeler Plumbing Co**  
Max, Stacy, Creede & Gavin

Dear Santa, I love you. I want a three-wheeler. My mother, Mary, wants a three-wheeler just like me. I want a Barbie van that turn's into a house. I love the elves and Mrs. Claus too. I like the reindeer. I want a doll house that has a handle on it.  
Love,  
**Felecia McCarty**

Dear Santa, I would like to get The Legend of Zelda Ocarina of Time. Also I would like a Gameshark.  
Sincerely,  
**Gradon Schaub**

Dear Santa, How are you. I have been very good. I need a new CD pier.  
Love,  
**Veronica**

Dear Santa, how are you? I have been very good. I want a furby and a Photo dial phone and a reel parit and a trampoline and a American girl doll with a suite for her.  
Love,  
**Haily Estes**

Dear Santa, I want a Playstation and games and a new watch band.  
**Blaine Baker**

Dear Santa, I would like nintendo 64 games the games I want are cruisin USA, Zelda, Madden 99, 1080 snowboarding, Diddy Kong racing, Mario Cart, V3 racing Wheel, Major League Baseball.  
Sincerely,  
**Jake Puryear**

Dear Santa, I would like a furby. But I know how hard they are to get. They look so cute. I like their beaks. I like the idea the more you love him the more they talk. Their so totally cool.  
Love,  
**Cari Ann Pigg**

Dear Santa, I mostly want new clothes. I also want a Nintendo 64 with lots of games to play. I guess you could bring me some new shoes.  
Sincerely,  
**Sarah Zybach**

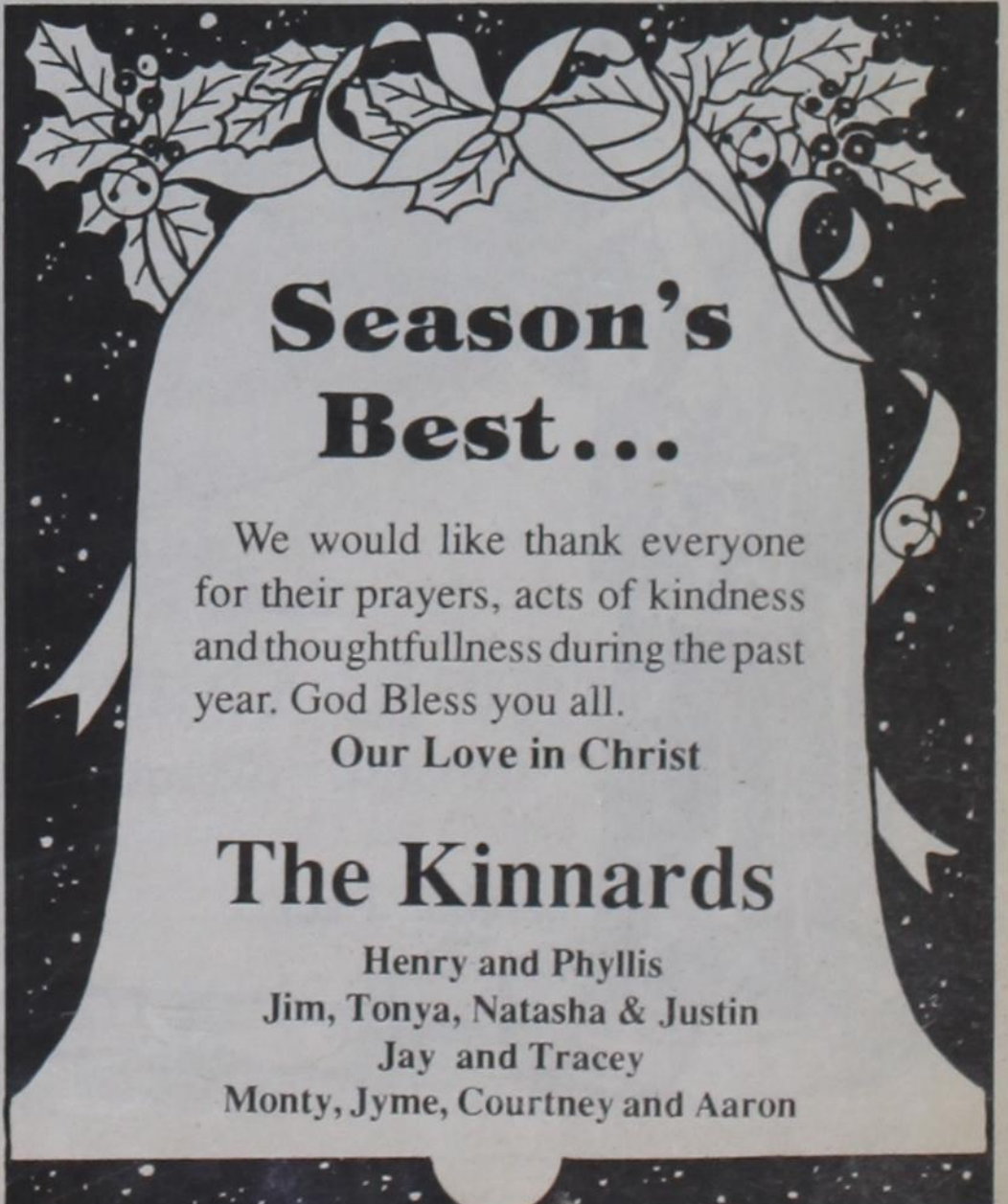
# MAY YOUR DAYS BE MERRY AND BRIGHT

Our glowing good wishes to your and your family this Christmas season.

It's a privilege and a pleasure to serve you.



**Wheeler Flower & Gift Shop**



# Season's Best...

We would like thank everyone for their prayers, acts of kindness and thoughtfulness during the past year. God Bless you all.

Our Love in Christ

# The Kinnards

Henry and Phyllis  
Jim, Tonya, Natasha & Justin  
Jay and Tracey  
Monty, Jyme, Courtney and Aaron

Dear Santa, For Christmas I want cool clothes like velvety shirts. The colors I like are blue, red, and green. I want the new twister. It is shaped in a square with circles on it. It is a game. I want bunk beds for Christmas. I want a computer with internet on it and a printer. I want a new dog. I want a three wheeler and I can ride it. I want a new trampoline.  
Your friend,  
**Randi Lyn Barr**

Dear Santa, I have been a good girl I want to have a yellow lab and a dalmation. I would like you so much if you put the puppies by my face. I also want a pretty dress and some pretty boots.  
Love,  
**Mayci Meadows**

Dear Santa, I have been a good boy. Last night Dec. 10, 1998 we had a Christmas play. After the play we got to see Santa Clause. Isat on his lap. Micheal M. made me. I wanted to stand up. Plus he was to big. Jake weighs alot. I want a Nitindo 64, a pocket Knife and a pellet gun.  
Your Pal,  
**Chance Newman**

Dear Santa, I have been a good girl. I want a real diamond heart ring and a diamond heart necklace. I want some cool shoes and some cool clothes. I want a hole bunch of poo stuf. Thank you very much.  
Your Pal,  
**Crystal Pigg**

Dear Santa, I have been a good boy and I want a pellet gun and a NINTendo 64 and a Pocket knife. We got to see your Pal and a punching bag. I sorda don't believe in you.  
Your friend,  
**Nathan McLaughlin**

Dear Santa, I have been a good girl so far. If you can deliver a Dalmation please set him on my bed when you come. I will have choclate chip cookies and milk waiting for you and I will make my speacil recipe. You should try it. If you can not bring a Dalmation Please bring a gigapet. Tell Mrs. Clause Hi for me. Thanks  
Your Friend,  
**Jessica Lauren Baird**

Dear Santa, I have been a good boy. I like it down here in Texas. It is fun. How is Rudolfe. I want a BeBe Pistle, a small solger toy, the small solger Move, a paintball Gun.  
Your friend,  
**Thomas John Meek**

Dear Santa, I have been a good boy. And I want for christmas is pocker knife and a maker gun and a fire gun and a machine gun.  
Your freind  
**Alvin Reeves**

Dear Santa, I want a nintendo 64 with bango Kazooy, and a Jet ski.  
Sincerely,  
**Michael**

Dear Santa, I want a 4-wheeler, a motor cycle, a B-B gun, a puppy (a bird dog puppy), and hunting clothes.  
Love,  
**Cody Selby**

Dear Santa, I want a motorcycle, a B-B gun, a Nintindo-64, and games that go with the Nintindo-64, and a puppy.  
Sincerely,  
**Blake Baker**

Dear Santa, I would like a brand-new Corvette with a hoodless top and a big stereo system that can hold three cd's. The second thing I want for Christmas is a paintball gun that comes with a helmet and gloves in it.  
Your belivable friend,  
**Joshua Woodworth**

Dear Santa, I would like a new pellet gun, and a brown BB gun with a scope. I would also like a DELL computer with the internet. I also want a chemistry set so I could do experiments. I would also like a C.A.T survival and rescue knife.  
See ya,  
**Calvin Lane**

Dear Santa, I have been A good boy. I would Like to have A pelet gun, A pistol bebe gun, And A horse.  
Your friend,  
**Michael Bell**

Dear Santa, How are you all I want is my family to be haapy.  
**Tisha**

Dear Santa, I would like a C.D. player, some country C.D.s, some shoes and clothes, baby dolls, Barbie's baby clothes, and Barbie clothes. Also a Game Boy and a game called "Don't Wake Daddy." Also Game Boy games, Spice Girl Barbies, some school surpise, some neat books, and a computer. And that's all. I really hope I have been good,  
**Chynna Atherton**

Dear Santa, I would like a Tommy Doll, a trampoline, and a three-wheeler for Christmas. A Tommy Doll is a little doll that sings and tells over a hundred stories. I would also like to have a trampoline to jump on and I could invite my friends over to play. I would also like a three-wheeler. It has three wheels on it.  
Your friend,  
**Sarah Moon**

Your friend,  
**Curtis Pigg**



# REJOICE!

Let every heart be filled with gladness!

**Steve, Gwen, Kara, Jordan & Drew Emmert**

# GREETINGS TO ALL!



May the holidays abound with all the warmth and goodness we wish for you and yours...wrapped in love and happiness.

**Johnny's Shamrock**  
Johnny, Betty, Melissa & Justin



# A Joyful Note...

Hope the season rings in all sorts of happiness for you!

**Elva Wood**

# A Pile Of Christmas Cheer

Here's hoping that your Christmas is wrapped in joy and tied up with love and togetherness. Thank you for the gift of your business.

# Hyland's Pharmacy

Hyland & Betty Weaver,  
Tommy & Sharla Weaver, Lauren & Leslie



# Wheeler Second Grade Santa Letters:

Class of Mrs. McCain

Dear Santa,  
I want a ride-on motorcycle and a Gex-2 and a Intelligent Cube and Dallas Cowboys bedspread.  
How are you doing?  
Thank You  
Love,  
Zack Andis

Dear Santa,  
I want a computer and a cd player and transformer, Michael Jordan poster and drum sticks. My brother wants a guitar.  
from  
Skilar Rowley

Dear Santa Claus,  
I hope you come visit me. I hope you bring me a little box of crayons with 24 crayons and a little T.V. for my bedroom and a little piano. Thank You.

I hope you are having a merry Christmas.  
Love,  
Diana Corral

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a folder and tranformer and mega winger please  
Love  
Ricardo Gallardo

Dear Santa,  
I want a computer and an Intelligent cube and I want a baby doll and a Barbie doll and a Angel doll and a merry Christmas.  
Please have a Merry Christmas  
Love,  
Ashley

Dear Santa,  
I want a movie about Christmas. I need scissors Santa Claus. I want a Barbie Santa Claus. I want a Present Santa Claus.  
Love,  
Maria Salas

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Barbie car, the movie Babe, new born Baby, bottles that you can open lids, a Baby bed and my family to gether.  
My brother wants a teddy bear, a oatman figure, and a remotecontrol car.  
Love  
Nicole Moore!

Class of Mrs. Thomas

Dear Santa,  
I wish for Nintendo games, tapes and Beanie Babies and a happy year.  
Sincerely,  
Chandler Osborne

Dear Santa,  
I want a basketball ball goal, I want a stant bike. I want a nitendo, sixty-

four and James Bond for my nitendo sixty-four.

Love,  
Clay White

Dear Santa,  
I would like a remote control car, a go-cart, a play station, and roller blades.

Love,  
Randall Hatcher

Dear Santa,  
I would like a computer and games with it. I would also like a cd player and a spice girl cd.

Love,  
Carley Owens

Dear Santa,  
I will leave cookies and milk. I want the Mega Voyager, the Mega Winger, and Syc ko.

love,  
Tyler Burch

Dear Santa,  
I would like for you to bring me a telephone, a nintendo game, a new coat. I will leave some cookies and milk for you.

Love,  
P. J. Ford

Dear Santa,  
I want to have a barbie and stereo with four cds.

Love,  
Mallory Groves

Dear Santa,  
I wish it would snow all day long today. I wish I had a lot of toys in my house.

Love,  
Damaris Camanza

Dear Santa,  
I would like some toys, clothes, shoes and a new coat.

Love,  
Katie Leven

## Santa Letters:

Dear Santa,  
We're not old enough to Know what all this Santa business is, all's we Know is they say "You have to be good little boys for Santa to come see you." Well our Pa and Nanny say that we're the most precise blessing ever, and we're such good babies, so maybe that counts. All we need is a sleigh load of dippers and formal, cause we get all the Kissen, huggin & Loven we need from our big sister Jayton. Can't wait till next year. Maybe we'll Know what all this is about. And Santa mom say's all she want's is some sleep! We can't figure that one out either.

We Love You, Santa  
Garrett and Jarrett Childress  
Mobeetie, TX

# MERRY CHRISTMAS



May your stockings be filled with love and cheer, as we thank you for a successful year.

Wheeler Lumber Company



Wishing You A Very Happy Holiday

Bill & VonEva Robertson

A Very, Merry Season To You!

Christmas is near and it's time to say, our good wishes and cheer are headed your way!

Sunrise Care & Rehab for Wheeler & Staff



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## Ft. Elliott

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Dear Santa,  
How are you. I have been good. I need a new bb gun.

Love,  
Morgan Lane

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a Redi Ryder BB Gun.

Love,  
Brandon Finsterwald

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I am fine. I want a new bicycle a new braslet and a ring with a silver diamond and a swimming pool and a beanie baby.

Love  
Amber Maddox

Dear Santa,  
How are you. I have been good. I want a new bike and a new watch.

Love  
Brittany Bryan

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I have been very good, please can I have a tall doll and a beanie baby. I love you Santa and also a tape player with a remote control please Santa.

Love  
Sara Hathaway

I Love You  
Santa  
Merry Christmas

Dear Santa,  
how are you? I have ben good. I want a real puppy for cr please!

Love  
Megan  
Merry Christmas

Dear Santa,  
I have wanted to write to you are you I want an american gir beanie baby, stuffed animals,

Love,  
Kaleigh

Dear Santa,  
I have been very good. I w furby.

Love,  
Bailey Estes

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I ben very go wont a rabbit.

Love  
Amanda

## Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,  
I want a Bug's Life Watch, ple You can put it in my stocking.

Love,  
Dorcie Ann Porter Gil

# Christmas On The Farm



A very happy holiday to all our good neighbors.  
Thank you for putting your trust in us.

The General Store  
Dwayne & Bobbie Sue Baker

# From All of Us to All of You Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!



We want to extend our sincere thanks to all of our friends and customers for the past year and we look forward to serving you in the upcoming year.

THE BANK KIDS: (back row, l. to r.) Tracy Jones, Bailey Richardson, Nicole Moore, Darren Gaines, Jennifer Jones, Blayne Richardson, (front row, l. to r.) Aaron Gaines, Jaten Moore, Katie Jones, Paige Jones, Maggie Jones, Brody Richardson, Monty McCasland

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# Wheeler Third Grade Santa Letters:

Mrs. Master's Class

Dear Santa,

I want a nintendo 64 and video game. And a control and a basketball game.

Jesus Gonzalez

Dear Santa,

What's up Santa? I hope you bring me a bike and the war zone and a \$100 dollar bill. Good luck from God.

Thank you.  
Cesar Hermosillo

Dear Santa,

I would like a monkey please. I would like a book too.

Your friend,  
Eskavlyn Nava

Dear Santa,

I want a train set please. I like my presents from santa. and I want a Football Game.

Wade Hampton



**Happy Christmas**  
Friendship comes in all shapes and sizes here, and to all our friends, we wish you Christmas joy... all thru the coming year!

**Wheeler Veterinary Clinic**

Dear Santa,

I want a computer. And I want A monkey. And I want A happy family too. Hey Santa how is Mrs. Claus? Do you have rudolph and does he have a red nose?

Kenia Lopez

Dear Santa,

I would like a beanie monkey and maybe some candy too. And by the way how is Mrs. Claus doing?

Your Friend,  
Jennifer Scales

Dear Santa,

I like you santa. And I want a printer, some toys, that all. I will leave cookies for you and cookies for your reindeer too! I want to visit you some day.

Hank J. Hunt

Dear Santa,

How is it going in the North Pole? I hope you can bring me six presents. I hope you bring the other kids their toys and clothes. Is your factory doing OK? One present that I want is a game boy.

Omar Gonzalez

Dear Santa,

I would like Nail salon, Ty beanie babies, Very Velvet Barbie, some puzzles, coloring books, and a calendar.

Jordan Alls

Dear Santa,

Hi I want a computer. And a puppy and a happy family! How is Mrs. Claus?

Your friend,  
Crystal Newsted

## Allison Santa Letters: Second Grade

Dear Santa,

How is Mrs. Claus? I would like a dry erase board and an "Easy Bake Oven" for Christmas. I will leave cookies and milk out for you.

Love,  
Kara Lane

Dear Santa,

Is Rudolph real life? I would like a "Giga Pad", a stuffed calf and a big trampoline. And, Santa, I will leave cookies and milk.

Love,  
Grace Tepe

Dear Santa,

Does Rudolph really have a red nose? I would like a stuff Reindeer, a Nintindo 64, and a picture of Rudolph for Christmas. I might leave you some hot chocolate.

Love,  
Stefen Tucker

Dear Santa,

How are all the reindeer doing? I would like a "Giga Pet", a Nintindo, and a "Easy Bake" for Christmas. I will live some magic hay for your reindeer.

Love,  
Leslie Archer

Dear Santa,

Can you name your reindeer in abc order? I would like a Barbie and an Easy Bake Oven for Christmas. I hope you have a Merry Christmas.

Love,  
Krystal West

Allison Third Grade

Dear Santa,

Santa, how are your reindeer? I have been good this year. I would like a cockateal, a gane or a puzzle. I like you Santa.

Thanks,  
Seth West

Dear Santa,

How are your reindeer? I have been very good this year. I would like a compound bow, a twenty-two gun, and a shot gun. I hope you have a happy New Year.

Love,  
Cody Dupont

Dear Santa,

Am I on the good list or bad list? I think I am on the good list because I have been very good this year. I want a doll, a poster, and a hat to put on the wall. You will have to go to my grandparents to give me my presents.

Love,  
Mary Hendrickson



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## Wishing you good cheer!



Whatever the season brings, we sincerely hope that it will make you happy!

M. & M. Farms  
W. D. & Mary Mitchell

going to ask you for a computer for Christmas and a real mouse for Christmas.

Love,  
Janet Hernandez

Dear Santa,

How is Dasher and Mis Santa? What is going on at the in North Pole. I want a four wheeler and a doll and a go cart.

From: Jordan Moore  
To: Santa

Dear Santa,

How are you and Rudolph? I want a computer and some jewelry for my mom, and some baby clothes for my sister's baby. I want a suit for my dad. I want a NBA Barbie and a puppy. I want a beanie baby.

Your friend  
VERONICA Salazar

Dear Santa,

Is Rudolph o.k.? I know you're always jolly. I would like two beanie babies, a green velvet dress, a baby monkey, and a very gold bracelet. Well, bye!

See ya,  
Katin Rutherford

Dear Santa,

How are you feeling? Ok, I'll tell you What I want. I want a Nintendo 64 and some games. Please write back.

Love,  
byron Brown

Dear Santa,

I want you to bring me a remote control car this christmas. I also want you to bring me a game boy and a computer.

Your friend  
Miguel Morales

## PEACE ON EARTH



May this Christmas see fulfillment of prosperity and brotherhood for all mankind. Our thanks to you, loyal friends, for your continued patronage.

R. J. & Georgia Smith



May you share in the joy that is Christmas. Many thanks to all.

Albert's Shamrock  
Albert & Hannah Von, Sindy, Dirk, James Albert & Samantha Ashden

## GREETINGS



It has been a joy to know and serve you.  
**Speedi-Mart**

## IT'S CHRISTMAS

Our sincerest thanks for your patronage—may your holidays be joyous!



## Marshall's Discount Auto

Darrel, Maggie, Steve & Mechelle  
Mack & Mariah  
Mark, Joanna & Urrick



## WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS

...And thank you for your business. We're especially pleased and proud to be able to serve you throughout the year. Have a wonderful holiday.

Hefley Hardware  
Jerry, Carolyn, Justin, Kendall & Staff



Thanks so much for your help, valued patrons, for a very successful year!

L. & F. Repair  
Frank & Leona Coates



Over the river and through the woods, we're sending special holiday wishes to you! Thanks all.

Dr. and Mrs. Mike Smith  
Kristin, Lacey & Staff



## OUR PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU. This Holiday Season

In the true spirit of Christmas, let's join together and ask His help for those who are less fortunate than ourselves. Merry Christmas & God Bless You All

PARKVIEW HOSPITAL & HOME HEALTH AGENCY



# Rejoice

As we recall the birth of the Infant Jesus, may the joy of that first Christmas fill our hearts and renew our hope.

## McIlhany Dry Goods



# PEACE ON EARTH THIS CHRISTMAS

### Arrow Water Well Service

Jerry, Barbra & Vince

# HAPPY HOLIDAYS

A basketful of joy to all of our friends, along with our heartfelt thanks.

## APPEARANCES

Rovanda & Sarah



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We thank you all for your valued support.

Christmas is a time for caring, loving, sharing.

## Rolling Plains Production Credit Assoc

Fred, Debbie & Glenda

### Wheeler First Grade Santa Letters:

Class of Mrs. Batton



# Have a Bear-y Merry Christmas!

We're so happy to have you as our customers and friends. Thanks.

## Jenning's Plumbing & Electric Service

Larry & Bobby

Dear Santa,  
I want a Nintendo 64 with Wcw Nwo Revenge and a BB gun. And a Stone Cold Steve Austin Shirt. And a remote control car. how is Mis Santa Claus? you can't cum down the chimney.  
I am 6 years old.  
Love  
Johnny Vensor

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the toy tow truck you gave me last year. I rot Nintendo 64. I am seven.  
Love  
Adam Robles

Dear Santa,  
I want a Barbie.  
I will leave a cookie by the Christmas tree.  
Love  
Rubi Soto

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for all the things you got me last christmas. The thing I want most is Dr. Dolittle movie. I also want a kitten. If you can't get me a kitten it will be okay. I havent finished my list so I will probably leave most of it up to you.  
I will be in Oklahoma when Christ- mas comes. Merry Christmas!  
Love,  
Amanda Ack


Dear Santa,  
I want a drum.  
I will have cookies for you at my house. The cookies will be by Christ- mas tree.  
Love,  
Cesar Gonzales

Dear Santa,  
I Would lkie a Mickey Mouse neck- lace.  
Love Linsey Altamirano

Dear Santa,  
I will be at my daddy's house. Please put something under my tree. Please bring me cutmomebaby wok and crol. I miss you.  
Taylor Wright

Dear Santa,  
I frgot to tell you I wont green and ham the game and a cam. Please can it be blue.  
I will leve cookese for you. I wil at my home.  
Love, Josh Hardcastle

Dear Santa,  
I wont a nintendo and casstte christmas.  
luv, a Jacobo Mendoz



# Happy Holiday Friends

You have our insurance of a Merry Christmas season, filled with happiness!

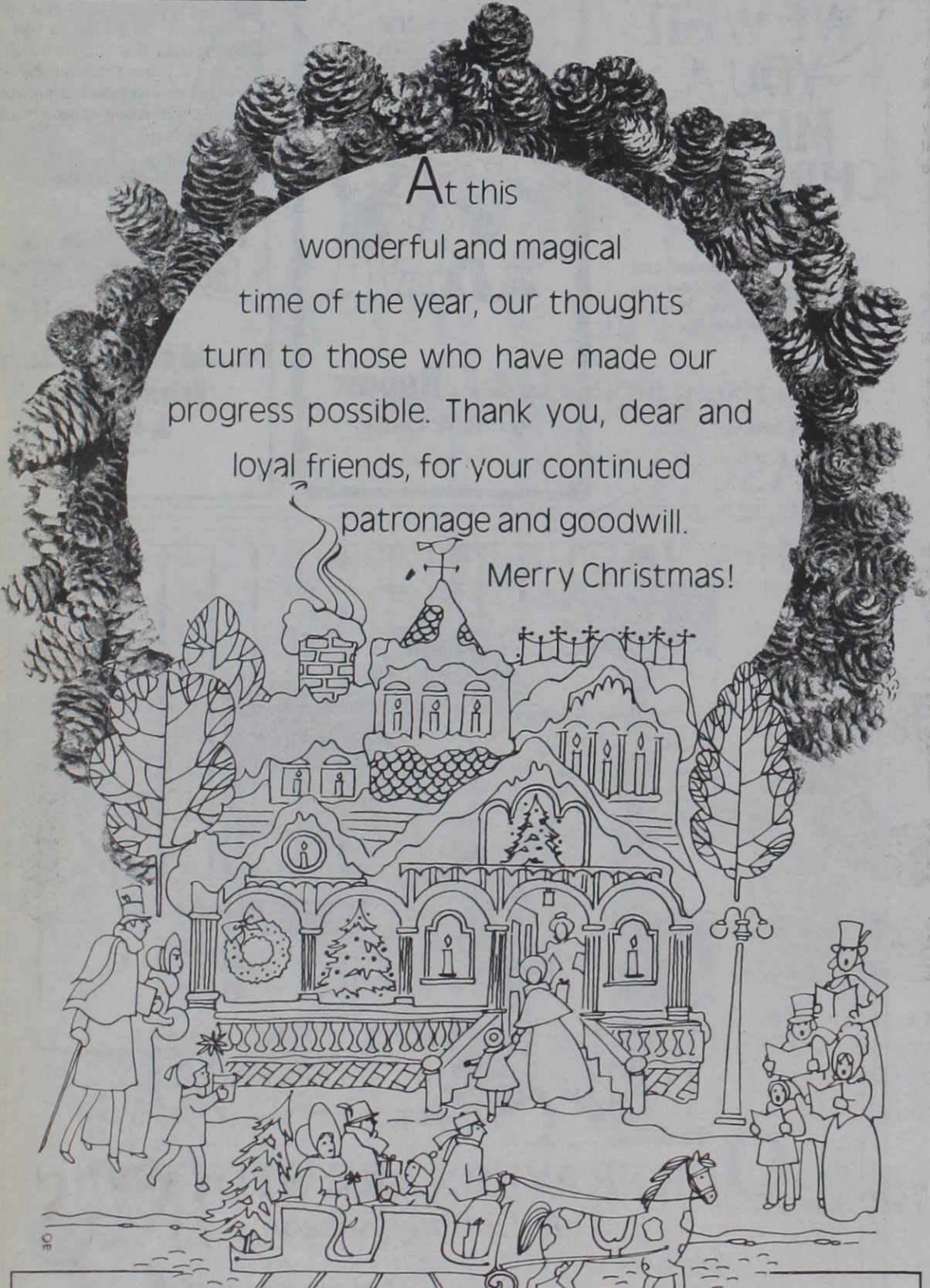
## Pearson Insurance Agency

David, Rita, Dallas & Lindsey

From all of us to all of you... a wish for a very Merry Christmas!



Rain Bow Monogram  
Charles, Margare  
Darin, James & Janet Kuntz



At this wonderful and magical time of the year, our thoughts turn to those who have made our progress possible. Thank you, dear and loyal friends, for your continued patronage and goodwill.

Merry Christmas!

## McCain's Auto Body

Bob, Gwen, Kelly, Cristen, Brooke, Kennan, Cory & Gayla

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for all the things that you gave me last year. This year I want a real microphone and more C. D. s and I am going to leave you some cook- ies.  
Love,  
Macie Miller

Dear Santa,  
I would like a kid field goal and a computer and a remote control car and I would like a 32X set with a 32X racing game. Thank you, for all the things you gave me last year.  
Love,  
Logan Bradstreet

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for all the things you got for me. and this Christmas I wont a race car. It is colde the Nitro Dozer.  
Love,  
Frankie Ramirez

Dear Santa,  
I want a go cart and a fish tank and a foot ball. I am going to miy Grandma's house.  
Love,  
Mike Gaines

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the things that you gave to me. This year I want some new Nintendo games and I want some hard game. Please  
Love Jessica Hubbard  
Merry Christmas

Dear Santa,  
I would lik a Jum Box and a couple of C-Ds. I want the Spice Girl's CD and a necklace  
Love  
Makenzi Stiles

Dear Santa,  
I want a Domsday hot wheel track and a guitar and I want a hockey stick and I want books.  
Thank you for the prestns.  
Love  
Pate Aills

Dear Santa,  
I forgot two tell you two things. I want star wars and Mario cart for my Nintendo 64. Milk and cookies will be on the coffee table.  
Love  
Nicholas Hardcastle


Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the remote control car from last year and the Pocahantas. I just wutid to remind you thet I wuid a trampoline. I want to tel you that the cookies are going to be by the Christas tree. I wundr how yr elfs make trampolines. I wudr if yr workshop is bise. I wudr if you wil give my baby cousin a blakit.  
Love  
Chelsea DeBose

Dear Santa:  
Dear Santa,  
I Love You! I Love You as much as I can. I would like a make-up Barbie. I also want a Rotten Egg. I've been pretty good this year. We'll leave you cookies and milk.  
Love,  
Shawna Hampton

# Home For The Holidays

May the many blessings of the season visit you and your family this Christmas.

Jim & Beth Alvey



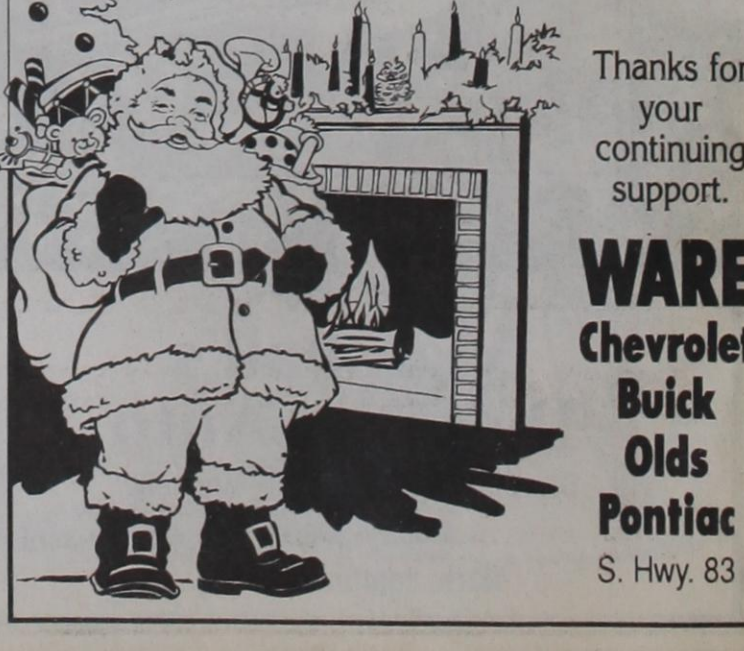
# Happy Holidays

Old Saint Nick joins us in wishing you the merriest of Christmases.

Thanks for your continuing support.

## WARE Chevrolet Buick Olds Pontiac

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# Wheeler First Grade Santa Letters:

Class of Mrs. Porter

Dear Santa,  
I would like carpenter jeans, Nike shoes, Shanya Twain cd, beanie baby lamb, Barbie, Thank you.  
Love,  
Shyla Eckhardt

Dear Santa,  
I would like a computer and roller skates. I have been very good.  
Love,  
Brock Sabbe

Dear Santa,  
I want the grasshopper of Bug's Life.  
Love  
Jonathan Emilliano

Dear Santa,  
I would like a B-B gun.  
From,  
Aaron Gaines

Dear Santa,  
I want a remote control Jeff Gordon race car and I also want a dog and I want a Nintendo 64 game. I want a max box.  
Love,  
Josh Henson

Dear Santa,  
I want a border Collie.  
From  
Nathan Benefield

Dear Santa,  
Sega genesis is what I would like for Christmas.  
Braden Moore

Dear Santa,  
I want a Motorcycle, and a Skateboard, and 3 new Bikes, and a real Be gun, and a real shot gun.  
Love,  
Darren Gaines

Dear Santa,  
I want a Segagensis. what I would like for Christmas. I also want a TV, and a telephone, and new clothes.  
Love,  
Gerardo Sanchez Diaz

Dear Santa,  
I want a puppy for Christmas and a b-b gun.  
From  
Eddie Chavez  
I been very good.

Dear Santa,  
I want a toy dinosaur, a toy robot, and a big hot wheel.  
From  
Chuy Guerra

Dear Santa,  
I want a puppy for christmas and some toys.  
Love,  
Danna Gallardo

Dear Santa,  
I want a Baby Doll and a happy meal Baby and a Baby cat.  
Love,  
Ashley Gallagher

Dear Santa,  
I want a computer with a detective Barbie. I also want a my size angel Barbie. I want a pound puppy car.  
Love,  
Sara Salazar

Dear Santa,  
I want a trampoline, a necklace, rings, and green fingernail polish.  
Love,  
Kaycee Swift

Dear Santa,  
I would like a cat.  
From,  
Terry Menefield

## Wheeler Third (Continued) Mrs. Hall's Class

Dear Santa,  
Hi Santa, Hi Mrs. Santa, are the Reindeer have fun with Rudolph. the presents asking of presents I want a Nintendo 64"  
Love  
Miguel Soto

Dear Santa,  
How is Rudolph? Is your sled ready for Christmas? Well, I want some clothes for my Barbie, and I know your elves are good people. They make toys, cool toys, for good, good kids. They will not make toys for bad kids.  
from:  
Ashley Nicole Earl

Dear Santa,  
How's Comet doing? Do you have the toys ready? How is Mrs. Claus? Here's what I want for Christmas: a N 64 game called Mission Impossible, WCW Revenge and WWF War Zone, a pump shot and shells, and a remote control car called the side Winder. Bring a beanie baby for my sister.  
Love,  
Tyler Richardson

Dear Santa,  
How is it going at the North Pole? Is Rudolph's nose still on? I just want to ask for a few things. I want NFL Blitz 64, WWF Warzone, and microscope.  
Love,  
Caleb Gaines

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Barbie deluxe dream house and Barbie's play set.  
Love,  
Tracy Keelin  
P.S I have been very good.

Dear Santa,  
Baby Shiver, CD player, cloths, these are the things I want for Christmas. I love you.  
Love,  
Bailey Richardson

Dear Santa,  
Dear Santa Clause,  
On our first visit this year, I thought you were "Nasty", but now as I'm getting to know you better you're a very good Clause! I've been very good this year, helping Mom with my new twin brothers, they need so much love, so I know I've been good enough for a T.V. with V.C.R., so I can watch in my room and I would also like to have a Blues Clues puppy.  
I Love You  
Jayton Childress  
Mobeetie, TX



THEIR FIRST VISIT WITH SANTA: These two will not remember their first visit with Santa, as they appear to be in the middle of a nap. The twins, Jarrett and Garrett, are the sons of Sam and Amanda Childress of Mobeetie. The visit was made while Santa was in Wheeler for the Chamber of Commerce Open House on November 29 and 30.

# Deck The Halls!

Hoping your holidays are trimmed with happiness.

## Ed & Patricia Forrester

# Happy Holidays

Crown of Texas  
Hospice

Santa's helpers are here to say,  
**"Have A Happy Christmas Day!"**

As for us, we thank you so,  
You've been such a pleasure to serve and know!

**Gary Burton Cellular  
Beaver Express Agent**  
Gary Don, Tracy and Cameron

## Season's Greetings To All

During the Christmas season more than ever, our thoughts turn gratefully to those who helped us through the year. And in the spirit we say, thank you and best wishes for a wonderful holiday.

# CROSS CAR CENTER

David & Kathleen  
Michelle, Rusty, Christopher, Justin & Chris  
Monica, Dale, Ann Marie, Joseph, Sarah & Rachel  
Roger, Cindy, Halee, Reese and Chadd

May the gifts of the season be yours as we celebrate the miracle of Christmas.  
We appreciate your loyal patronage.  
Merry Christmas!

## Burton Ford-Mercury

Pete Burton  
Dickie Burton  
Gary Don Burton  
Tracy Burton  
Waddell Davis  
David Gilmer  
Jim Gilmer  
Casey Gilmer  
Jerry Newberry

# Merry Christmas

The friendship of those we serve is the basis for our success.  
Thanks, all.

## FIRST STATE BANK

Wheeler Office & Mobeetie Office

Dorotha McCurley	Tammy Maddox	Matthew McCurley
Randy McCurley	Diane Dukes	Carissa Dukes
Melba Darnell	Wanda Hefley	Mary Hovey
Bill Howard	Stephanie Coulter	

Member FDIC

## SEASON'S GREETINGS

An old-fashioned Christmas wish to all our friends.

## Eastern Panhandle Insurance

Kenneth McCasland  
Lee McCasland  
Nan Rhine

## Ft. Elliott Kindergarten Santa Letters:

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me Katie—a baby that eats hamburgers; new clothes and a real monkey.  
Love,  
Charity Baird

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a big carrying ship with airplanes.  
Love,  
Davis Corse

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a My Size Ken and a Barbie playhouse.  
Love,  
Sarah Horn

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want red fingernail polish, a pink bike and a doll. My sister, Cathy, wants a Teddy Bear.  
Love,  
Karen Kelley

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a guitar, a real Talkin' Bubba; a CD player with ear-phones; and a play B.B. pistol.  
Love,  
Kory McLaughlin

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a red three-wheeler; a play kitchen; a little blue rocking chair; and a candlemaker. My sister, Amy, wants a big baby-bottle bank; a three-wheeler like me; a book; and a little playdough-maker machine with playdough.  
Love,  
Danielle Nelson

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a red and black mini-bike; and a blue and white four-wheeler.  
Love,  
Roland Newman

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Talkin' Bubba and a Beanie Baby.  
Love,  
Chelsea Selby

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Crawl and Walk baby; a Barbie; and lots of makeup. My brother, Zane, wants a Talkin' Truck.  
Love,  
Alexis Zybach

# CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

May the beauty of this season renew each heart with hope.

## Dr. Louie L. Mendiola & Family and Staff

# Mustangs Lose State Play-Off 20-13

Sixteen weeks ago 129 class 1A football teams started their seasons. Last Saturday night only 2 teams were left. Pennington Field hosted the Wheeler Mustangs and the Tenaha Tigers in the State Championship game. Tenaha came into the game highly favored, but the Mustangs were not to be counted out. Wheeler lost to Granger 40-0 last year and did not want that to happen again.

The Mustangs kicked to Tenaha to start the game, but were forced to punt by the Wheeler defense. The Mustangs offense then took over on their own 18 yard line. They were able to drive deep into Tenaha territory, but an illegal substitution penalty and a delay of game penalty brought the ball out to the 14 yard line to leave the Mustangs with 4th and goal on the Tenaha 14 yard line. On the next play Michael Montgomery was not able to catch the pass in the end zone, turning the ball back over to Tenaha. The Tigers got the first points on the board after Chavis McCollister took the ball up the middle for 60 yards and a touchdown. The two point conversion was good and the Tenaha Tigers went ahead 8-0 with :08 seconds left in the first quarter.

The Mustangs took the ball to start the second quarter, but could not get an offensive drive going and were forced to punt. The punt was shanked and Tenaha took over on their 45 yard line. The Tigers then drove 55 yards, converting twice on 4th down to score on a 14 yard touchdown pass from Chavis McCollister to Kennis Henderson. The two point conversion failed and the Tenaha Tigers led 14-0 with 4:54 left in the half. On Wheeler's next possession, they were held to 4th and 1. The momentum seemed to be going in Tenaha's direction, but Brooks Brown took a fake punt 16 yards for a 1st down. Three plays later Aaron Dunnam connected with Kyle Masters for a beautiful touchdown catch. Masters was able to reach around the Tenaha defender for the touchdown grab. The extra point kick was good, and the Mustangs cut the Tenaha lead in half with :45 left in the half.

Wheeler received the kickoff to start the second half, but on the Mustangs first play, they threw an interception. The Mustang defense held the Tigers, and turned the ball back over to the Wheeler offense on their own 14 yard line. Wheeler then started one of their patented long, up-the-gut drives going 86 yards on 13 plays and almost using up the entire third quarter. With 1:20 left on the clock Aaron Dunnam took the ball 5 yards in for the touchdown. The extra point failed and the Mustangs trailed 14-13 behind Tenaha. The Mustangs were slowly taking over the game.

In the fourth quarter it seemed like they were going to get the ball back with plenty of time to score. The Mustang defense had held Tenaha to 4th down, but a fake punt for a first down gave the Tigers new life. Chavis McCollister struck again, running 30 yards for a touchdown with 11:37 left in the fourth quarter. The 2 point conversion was no good and Tenaha led 20-13. Wheeler tried to come back though. Starting on their own 22 yard line, they drove the ball deep into Tenaha territory again. After an unsportsman-like conduct penalty on Tenaha and a fourth down conversion by Wheeler, the Mustangs had a 1st down and 10 on the Tenaha 24 yard line. The Tiger defense was able to hold Wheeler to 4th down and 3 yards to go. On the next play Aaron Dunnam kept the ball, rolled right, and plowed through the Tenaha defenders. The spot was close, and when it was measured, Wheeler came up short by only inches. The Tigers took over on downs. Tenaha drove deep into Wheeler territory, but with :56 left in the game, the Mustangs held them on downs, and took over. On the next play however, the Mustangs fumbled. Tenaha recovered, and ran the clock out to win the state championship 20-13 over the Wheeler Mustangs.

The Wheeler Mustangs played hard last Saturday night and came closer to beating Tenaha than any other team in the playoffs. Wheeler was not beaten last Saturday, they were just out scored. Good game guys.

## STATS

The Wheeler offense had 19 first downs, 269 yards rushing and 9 yards passing for a total of 278 yards of offense. Aaron Dunnam completed 2 passes out of 6 with one interception. The Mustangs only punted once, but it only went 5 yards. Wheeler fumbled 3 times and lost one, and they had 4 penalties for 30 yards.

Tenaha had 15 first downs, 229 yards rushing and 43 yards passing for a total of 272 yards of offense. They completed 4 out of 12 passes. Tenaha did not punt and were penalized 7 times for 45 yards.

## INDIVIDUAL STATS

**Offense**  
Aaron Dunnam carried the ball 20 times for 120 yards and 1 touchdown. He completed 2 out of 6 passes for 9 yards and 1 interception.

Casey Childress rushed 23 times for 86 yards.

Caleb Finsterwald rushed 16 times for 47 yards.

Brooks Brown rushed once for 16 yards. He also caught 1 pass for 2 yards.

Kyle Master caught 1 pass for 7 yards and a touchdown.

**Defense**  
Brooks Brown had 1 tackle, 2 assists, and 1 knocked down pass.

Aaron Dunnam had 8 tackles and 8 assists.

Casey Childress had 1 tackle.

Donald Phipps had 5 tackles and 2 assists.

Caleb Finsterwald had 4 assists.

Tucker Long had 2 tackles, three assists, and 2 knocked down passes.

Michael Montgomery had 2 tackles.

Ben Dollar had 2 tackles.

Bret Goad had 3 tackles and 2 assists.  
Don Hudgins had 3 tackles.  
Bruce Copeland had 4 tackles.  
Kelby Ledbetter had 4 tackles and 2 assists.  
Ben Britt had 1 assist.

Kyle Masters had 1 quarter back sack.

**FOR THE YEAR**  
The Wheeler Mustangs had 4,480 yards rushing and 1,014 yards passing for a total of 5,494 yards of offense. They also scored 397 points. The Mustang defense held teams to 1,711 yards rushing, 1,123 yards passing for a total of 2,834 yards of offense and only 235 points.  
Aaron Dunnam rushed 245 times for 1,493 yards and 22 touchdowns. He also completed 41 out of 85 passes

for 807 yards, 7 interceptions, and 10 touchdowns.

Casey Childress carried the ball 324 times for 1,617 yards and 15 touchdowns.

Caleb Finsterwald rushed 166 times for 1,044 yards and 8 touchdowns. He also caught 7 passes for 86 yards and 2 touchdowns.

Brooks Brown ran 49 times for 224 yards and 1 touchdown. He completed 10 out of 35 passes for 164 yards, 3 interceptions, and 1 touchdown. He also caught 2 passes for 5



yards.  
Donald Phipps rushed 15 times for 75 yards, and caught 6 passes for 88 yards, and had 1 touchdown.  
Gavin McQueen rushed twice for 11 yards and Michael Hawks rushed once for negative 2 yards.  
Kirt Boedeker caught 7 passes for 207 yards and 3 touchdowns.  
Craig Bass caught 13 passes for 240 yards and 1 touchdown.

Kyle Masters had 9 catches for yards and 3 touchdowns.

Michael Montgomery had 3 catches for 29 yards and 1 touchdown.

Tucker Long caught 2 passes for 62 yards.

(Academic All District Football Team and All District Football Team will be carried next week)

## Commissioners Court Nov. Meetings

### November 9, 1998

The Wheeler County Commissioners Court met in Regular Session with Judge Wendell Morgan presiding. Members present were: Kenneth Childress, Tommy Puryear, Hubert Moore and Boyd Hiltbrunner, Commissioners precincts 1, 2, 3 and 4, respectively. Also present were: Margaret Dorman—County Clerk; Ron Gowdy—County Auditor and County Judge Elect—Jerry Dan Hefley.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**  
Tommy Puryear made a motion which was seconded by Hubert Moore to approve the minutes from the October 12th and 26th, 1998 court meetings as written. Motion carried unanimously.

### APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Kenneth Childress made a motion which was seconded by Boyd Hiltbrunner to pay the bills as approved and found listed in Volume 11 of the Minutes of Accounts Allowed in the County Clerks office. Motion carried unanimously.

### APPROVAL OF HOURLY PAYROLL

Hubert Moore made a motion which was seconded by Tommy Puryear to pay the hourly employees according to their approved time sheets. Motion carried unanimously.

### ACCEPTANCE OF JUSTICE OF PEACE REPORTS

Boyd Hiltbrunner made a motion which was seconded by Kenneth

Childress to accept the Justice of Peace report from Doyle Ramsey in the amount of \$6,469.00 for the month of October 1998, and from Art Taylor for \$13,569.00. Motion carried unanimously.

### INDEPENDENT AUDIT PROPOSAL SUBMITTED

Boyd Hiltbrunner made a motion which was seconded by Kenneth Childress to engage into an agreement with Tom Grantham of Grantham, Cory & Heare, P.C. to perform an Independent audit on all county funds on the balances ending September 30, 1998. Motion carried unanimously.

### SUPPLEMENTAL HEALTH INSURANCE PROPOSAL—Conseco

Mr. Dallas Harp and Ms. Tressie Odum met with the Court to present their proposal concerning supplemental health insurance coverage for county employees.

### CITY OF WHEELER—Landfill Discussion

Frank Clymer, representing the City of Wheeler, met with the court to discuss the continuing problem of people dumping trash on the road right of ways and incorrect locations at the city office. He presented costs and ideas concerning an area for Type 4 waste products.

### NOVEMBER 10, 1998 AT 1:00 P.M. CANVASS OF ELECTION RE-

### URNS—November General

Tommy Puryear made a motion which was seconded by Hubert Moore to canvass the November 1998 General Election and accept the results as recorded. Motion carried unanimously.

### BONDS APPROVED—Unexpired Terms of Tax Collector and County Attorney

Boyd Hiltbrunner made a motion which was seconded by Hubert Moore to approve the bonds for Lewis Scott Porter as Tax Assessor Collector and Bobbye C Hill as County Attorney. Both offices will be to fill unexpired terms. Motion carried unanimously.

### NOVEMBER 10, 1998 2:00 P.M.

The Wheeler County Commissioners Court met in Special Session with Judge Wendell Morgan presiding.

Members present were: Kenneth Childress, Tom Puryear, Hubert Moore and Boyd Hiltbrunner, Commissioners precincts 1, 2, 3 and 4, respectively. Also present were: Margaret Dorman—County Clerk; Jimmy Adams—Sheriff; John Mann, D.A.;

Jerry Bob Jernigan—Constable; Jerry Bailey—Deputy Sheriff; Rick Walden—Deputy Sheriff; Doyle Ramsey—J.P.;

Mary Ray Christner—Ambulance Coordinator and George Hooten—Ambulance Coordinator. Other present were: Ken Daughtry, Jim Batten, David M Britt Jr, Dean Tipps, Bill Robertson, Thomas Helton, Bill McMinn, Jerry Hefley, Bob Dukes, John Schaffer, Louis Stas, Tonya Finsterwald, Wylie Fires, Mike Oldham and Glen Richardson.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the future of the Ambulance Service in Wheeler County after December 31, 1998.

No action taken.

### NOVEMBER 23, 1998

The Wheeler County Commissioner Court met in Special Session with Judge Wendell Morgan presiding.

Members present were: Kenneth Childress, Tom Puryear, Hubert Moore and Boyd Hiltbrunner, Commissioners precincts 1, 2, 3 and 4 respectively. Also present were: Margaret Dorman—County Clerk; Jimmy Adams—Sheriff; Scott Porter—Tax Collector and Jerry Hefley—County Judge Elect.

### APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Tommy Puryear made a motion which was seconded by Hubert Moore to pay the bills as approved and listed in Volume 11 of the Minutes of Accounts Allowed in the County Clerks office. Motion carried unanimously.

### APPROVAL OF HOURLY EMPLOYEE TIME SHEETS

Kenneth Childress made a motion which was seconded by Hubert Moore to approve the time sheets for the hourly employees as submitted. Mo-

### tion carried unanimously. CONSIDERATION OF ROAD OPENING—Secs 15 & 26 Blk A-5

The following citizens were in attendance: O. B. Burton; Kenneth Fields, Atty for O. B. Burton; R. J. Smith, W. O. Jones, Bill and Virginia Ridgway, Angelique Weaver and Kirk Crucher, Attorneys for Bill Ridgway; Dale Corcoran, Aricia Lancaster, Earnest Lancaster, Evelyn Riley, Tommy Corcoran, Earl W Riley, James Trusty, E. W. Riley Jr, and F. Corcoran.

Tommy Puryear made a motion which was seconded by Boyd Hiltbrunner to continue the discussion on the road opening petition until December 14, 1998 after more research has been done. Motion carried unanimously.

### COUNTY ATTORNEY—Request for Office Space

Bobbye C Hill, County Attorney, met with the Court to request that she be allowed ample office space in which the county attorney can conduct interviews that might pertain to family law matters.

Boyd Hiltbrunner made a motion which was seconded by Tommy Puryear to designate the entire office space currently being shared by the Justice of Peace and County Attorney as an office totally for the use by the County Attorney and staff. Also, the Justice of Peace office will be relocated to a furnished office in the basement. Motion carried unanimously.

### CLIFTON FLETCHER REMOVED FROM THE PAYROLL—Sheriffs Office

Clifton Fletcher was removed from the payroll effective November 17, 1998. He also stated that Fletcher would be paid for 10 unused vacation days and 8 holiday days.

### PURCHASE OF POSTAGE METER—Tax Collector Office

Lewis Scott Porter met with the Court to present proposals that he had acquired for a new postage meter for his office. He advised the Court that postal service will be discontinued the use of manual meters after the first of the year.

Kenneth Childress made a motion which was seconded by Hubert Moore to allow Mr. Porter to purchase an Ascom Hasler Electronic Mailbox Mailing Systems Inc, Amarillo, Texas. Motion Carried unanimously.

### CITY OF WHEELER—Landfill discussion

Mr. Frank Clymer met with the Court to discuss the landfill in Wheeler. He presented ideas concerning opening the landfill to the public.

No action was taken.



**AVON CALLING:** Jeanette Judd (center) was one of the individuals, having a display at the Crafts Mini Mall. The mall was opened for the Chamber's Christmas Open House on November 29 and 30. Booths offered everything from candy to Christmas decorations made from used light bulbs.



**JEWELRY & BASKETS:** One of the several booths at the Crafts Mini Mall offered shoppers baskets and/or jewelry. Carletta Burton and Ruby McLaurin (l. to r.) greeted a number of individuals during the two-day operation of the booth on November 29 and 30. Pictured also are (l. to r., middle) Malley Groves, Ashley Groves, Tracy Jones, Lacey Henson, (front) Lauren Meador and Aspen Hathaway.

# Ho...Ho...Hoping Your Holiday Delivers Loads Of Good Cheer!

We extend to you our sincere best wishes and heartfelt thanks. May all your news be good news this holiday season. Remember, a gift subscription to the *Times* will be delivered each week throughout next year.

THE WHEELER TIMES

## Kelton Students Earn \$439 For Heart Assoc

Twenty-four students from Kelton School raised \$439.75 from friends and family members, who sponsored them in the school's Jump Rope For Heart event held November 4, 1998.

"Our students benefited so much from their Jump Rope For Heart participation," said Chester D. Jones, Jump Rope for Heart coordinator at Kelton School. "They joined the ranks of 25 million students, who have raised more than \$350 million since 1979 to support American Heart Association research, community service and education projects, like the new HeartPower! education program in schools. They also learned so much about community involvement and the fun of physical activity."

A joint project of the American Heart Association and the American Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance, Jump Rope for Heart involves students in the fight against heart diseases and stroke. America's No. 1 and No. 3 killers. Participants learn the benefits of physical activity and community service.

Students jump in teams and receive donations from their sponsors. Prizes are awarded according to the amount of money raised.

The American Heart Association spent almost 80 percent of its nearly \$400 million budget for research support, public and professional education and community services during fiscal year 1996-97. With more than 1 million volunteers, the AHA is the largest voluntary health organization fighting heart disease and stroke, which kill more than 954,000 Americans each year.

For more information, contact the American Heart Association's Public Affairs Office at (800) 374-8291.



The German prince, Albert, after his marriage to Queen Victoria brought the custom of decorating a Christmas tree to England and German immigrants brought it to America.

timothy, 4 & 12 - 5 & 21 Let no despise thy youth; but be thou simple of the believers, in word, conversation, in charity, in spirit, in purity. I charge thee before and the Lord Jesus Christ, and elect angels, that thou observe things without preferring one before another, doing nothing by par-

ok's like winter is here in Allison Monday in a big way, fog, ice on thing and some snow and a ve degree temperature.

an and Linda Lieb from Stinnett at a weekend recently with Linda's Edna May.

by Craig was back in Amarillo Monday for a doctor's appoint-

Juanita and Curtis Boydston in Elk City last Saturday doing shopping, and from there they to Wheeler and shopped and dinner at the Dairy Queen.

with no one there. The Heltons to Reydon to Church. I don't know extend of the damage, but it is

aturday nite Doris Finsterwald and Maurine Brotherton went to Christmas Party at the Wheeler Center. There was delicious food up and down the halls.

Home furnished some and family of the residents brought dishes. Pearson played the piano and sorority sang Christmas carols. It came with gifts. They all had Sunday Marion Grimes, Dale and Corcoran and Doris terwald went for the church ser-

and singing. Allison Gobe News picks for Six Football were C. J. Bryant, Ft. Freshman of the year and nan Heffley, Ft. Elliott Sophomore year. Nate also was listed on ond team Defense. Curt Smith, Ft. Elliott, was listed on second offense quarterback. Congratu-

alter and Patricia Hand and Monty to the Smith Christmas celebra-Saturday at the home of Richard Lynn Smith in Shamrock. Some there were Daylan Smith and ily, Doug Smith and family, R. J. Georgia Smith, James Lewis and Smith, Jerry and Doris Smith from adian and Sharon Keelin. Lots of cious food and visiting.

or something a little different and y try delicious orange Slice Cookies (9 oz.) package yellow cake mix large egg

Tablespoons vegetable oil cup chopped pecans 3 orange slice candies chopped tir all together until blended. Drop Tablespoons on to ungreased kie sheet. Bake 350 degrees for 0 minutes or edges lightly brown. move to paper towel or wire rack to l. For a bigger quantity, use regu- 18 oz. size cake mix and double or ingredients. Don't over bake.

Je went to Allison Thursday night ate supper at Papa's Cafe and ed with Pete and Margaret Gilmer. We were expecting their family for istmas. Also visited with Stephanie ker and Tyler, 5 months. He is a utiful baby and let me hold him

Je went on down to Allison School got to see their play, "Scrooge." crowd there. Lots of good singing. 1979 athan McIntyre did a great job as ooge. The play was directed by e Lohberger with help from other chers and staff. Good job! Lots of ongratulations to Eddie and dys Pannell on 70 years of mar- e. You are still a handsome couple! appy 50th anniversary to Delmar Elizabeth Newman. And many od be with you till we meet again."

take three holidays a year, Christ- mas, New Year's Day and the Fourth of July.

The buffet is open every day except Saturday from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Diners have a selection of three meats, several veget- ables and a large selection of salads, and dessert. Diners fill their own plates and are charged only for the items they select.

Sparlins has a separate dining

room for meetings and parties. The room is available by ap- pointment. The room offers lots of space and saves you lots of work when you want to have a party—Christmas, birthdays, etc. Children parties if accompanied by adults or parents.

Cathy Diera is the manager at Sparlins. She has Shelia Umsted, Valerie Watson and Denise Scruggs helping wait on the customers. Cooks for the restaurant/buffeteria are Gary and Harry Chamberlain with as- sistance from Teresa Robles.

Glen, Faye and staff wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Plan soon to go out to Sparlin's for a delicious meal. Phone 826-9923 for reserva- tions for a meeting or party.



Sparlin's Restaurant/Bufeteria

This advertisement is paid for by Wheeler Chamber of Commerce for the promotion of shopping in Wheeler.

Janice Boydston, Juanita Bricker and Neal and Tia Boydston, Corinna and Kendra ate Sunday dinner at Papa's Restaurant last Sunday.

Pete and Margaret Gilmer and Jennie Walker were in Amarillo last Friday for medical reasons, while they were there they visited with Jennie's daughter and husband, Linda and Bob Sanders.

Henry and Dorea Lea Dupont visited relatives at Allison from last Monday to Sunday morning.

Cheryl Dupont, Sabrina and Cody went to Amarillo last Saturday and did some Christmas shopping and spent Saturday night with Chuck and Kim Thompson and family. They returned home Sunday evening.

Glen and Nona Elmore were in Wellington, Texas and visited Glen's sister, Cora Gragson, and her son Willie and Laurene Gragson and family and had dinner at their home last Saturday.

Ray and Sue Giddens were in Amarillo last week for medical reasons.

Pete and Margaret Gilmer were in Shamrock last Tuesday doing some shopping and ate dinner at Mitchell's restaurant.

Rita Grayson's dinner guest on Saturday were Johnnie Grayson from Amarillo, Keri Grayson and Brandon Dukes from Amarillo, and Debbie Jones. On Sunday dinner guest was Johnnie.

Vance and Caroline Boydston's weekend guests were Bob and Jane Smith from Leesburg, Virginia. They all went to Amarillo on Saturday and met Kevin and Theda Boydston at the Golden Corral.

Harold and Elena Walker were in Lubbock, Texas from last Wednesday to Sunday for medical reasons.

Lee and Sharon Hall met Bobby and Tammy, Jordan and Alisha Jones, Ronnie and Randy Hall, and Jennifer Davis at Furr's in Pampa for lunch last Sunday.

Pearl Harrison went to Elk City last Thursday and spent the night with Vivian and Jimmy. She came home on Friday. Pearl, Clifton and Louise Boydston ate dinner last Sunday at Papa's Restaurant. Pearl and Cheryl Dupont were busy this Monday morn-

ing baking cookies at Pearl's home. Greg Boydston, Tori and Hannah and a friend from Morse, Texas visited Allen and Nadine Reynolds last Sunday afternoon.

Zeland and Charlene Rainey's last Sunday dinner guests were Mike and Teresa Dyer from Sayre, Oklahoma, Scott and Amber Dyer from Canyon and Nathan Rainey and Hayley Pool from Higgins, Texas.

Winston and Jeanette Rainey and Nathan moved into their beautiful new home last weekend. I am sure they will enjoy it.

Last Thursday Mike and Teresa Dyer and Scott took Betty Dyer to Amarillo to the eye doctor. They all spent the night with Dannette and Ron Weller and Zachary and got back to Allison about noon on Friday.

Take time to pray—it is the great- est power on earth.

**\$1,000 Scholarships To Be Awarded In January**  
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**TO THE 1998 MUSTANGS:**

I wanted to take the time to say how very proud we are of you guys. You had an outstanding year and you brought the entire community together. Your desire to win and your refusal to quit was a great inspiration. Vince Lombardi once said, "We never lost a game, we just ran out of time." I know that you all are disappointed that you didn't bring home a gold trophy that symbolizes the state championship, but make no mistake about it, you guys are true champions. If the final score would have been measured by character, desire, effort, and team work, you would have won by a wide margin!

Thanks for a wonderful season!

ALREADY LOOKING FORWARD TO NEXT YEAR,

**HERITAGE BEEF CATTLE CO., INC.**  
Rodney Weatherly  
President

**Tyson Lee Shelton Is Hall of Fame Inductee**  
Tyson Lee Shelton an Elk City resident for forty years. He moved to Elk City in 1958 and establish Tyson Shelton Plumbing and Heating. A plumbing contractor until his retirement in 1981. He literally helped build Elk City and Western Oklahoma, as he was involved in the construction of numerous businesses though out the entire area as well as many, many homes.

Tyson Lee Shelton was born October 16, 1919 in Mobeetie, Texas. Graduating from Mobeetie High School, he then attended West Texas State College in Canyon, Texas. In October of 1940 he married Juanita Allen a resident of western Oklahoma, growing up in Hammon.

During World War II, Tyson served his country in the South Pacific. In May of 1945, he received the presidential Unit Citation for being the first soldier to break the Naha Shuri line. He was wounded three times and was awarded numerous medals including two purple hearts, two oak leaf clusters, the Bronze Star and the Asiatic Pacific ribbon with two stars and one arrowhead. In 1946 he was honorably discharged as a staff sergeant.

Tyson has remained active in the 96th Infantry Division of the U. S. Army, attending their annual reunions each summer. He has served as recording secretary, Vice-President, and was President in 1976-1977. During his presidency he traveled with a group from the 96th Division Park near Dulag, Leyte. Tyson serves on the executive board and has served on various committees. He was chairman of the reunion committee in 1985 and hosted the annual reunion in Oklahoma City.

Tyson has been a deacon at the First Baptist Church for over thirty years and has served on various committees as well as being Church Training director. He has been an active member of the Elk City Lions Club, even serving as president. He is currently president of the Far West Fiddlers Association and is host to a national fiddlers' convention in Elk City and is presently employed by the city as its plumbing inspector.

Tyson and his wife Juanita are the parents of four children and have ten grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

**Chat** (from Page 1)  
Dennis Porter were also at Lubbock for Julie Porter to receive a BS Degree in Agriculture & Applied Economics.

Two of our local citizens were on Discovery Channel's "Raging Planet" over the weekend. Chuck and Rob Hogan were on the segment on tornadoes, telling of their experience in the closet of Rob Hogan's house when it was hit June 8th, 1995.

The damage at Allison was not recorded.

Winter moved into Wheeler Sunday with some ice and a little snow. There was not enough to measure Monday morning of either ice or snow, but there were some patches of ice on the roads.

It is interesting to note that the 1997 Christmas Edition of the Times had pictures of the snow and ice that moved in on Monday of that week.

We extend thanks to LeeAnn Hillhouse for the pictures of the youngsters with Santa.

Jennifer called Monday morning to urge us to get the paper in the mail and head for Oklahoma, as the roads there were Bad and the outlook for the rest of the week not too good.

It is our intention to spend Christmas in Oklahoma City and Hinton. The Ronal Stas family plans to join us. The Arnolds will be our hosts Christmas Eve and the Meriwethers will be our hosts Christmas Day.

Jennifer called Wednesday morning to report that something was falling in OKC. Interstate 35 was closed between OKC and the state line.

Cathi and Dorcie have scheduled a trip to Oklahoma and the Panhandle immediately after Christmas to spend a week. Dorcie called Sunday afternoon to tell us she was coming to see us.

Brice's mom and step-dad plans to be in Oklahoma for Christmas, so the Longs will be with his family—weather permitting.

Barbara and I elected to stay home this past weekend. And I certainly am glad we did. We accomplished quite a bit, but did not get to play cards.

The Monday night card game happened. Mike was unfortunate enough to draw Dwight and I as partners; we won the second game. Ben, Benny and Paul won the first and last game.

Once again, Merry Christmas!

**TO FRIENDS AND RELATIVES**

Thank you for the calls, cards, food and flowers. Thank you for every prayer and thought. Thanks Charlie Floyd for a beautiful service! Thanks to Mark Wright and Wright's Funeral Home. Thanks to the First Baptist Church, Pastor Toby Henson, the use of the church, the preparation and serving of the food and all your help and kindness. We felt the warmth and strength of your prayer's in our loss of our Beloved "Truman." May God Bless each of You,  
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My name is Urrick Marshall and I'm 9 mos. old. This is my first Christmas so I'm kind of new at this, but I'm sure I'll get the hang of it. You can surprise me with a toy and some new clothes. Please don't forget about all the other boys and girls. My Dad said Chocolate Chip Cookies were your favorite, so I'll leave some for you with a glass of milk.  
P.S. Don't forget about my cousins Mariah and Bubba you probably know what they want.  
Love,  
Urrick Slayton Marshall

**Dear Santa,**  
My name is Braden Crockett-McNeil. I am 3 years old. I saw you on a roof and I thought you were dead, but my mommy told me not to worry that you would be here on Christmas. So I hope you're much better so you can bring me a couple of toys. I'll leave you some milk and cookies at my Aunt Bebbie's house.  
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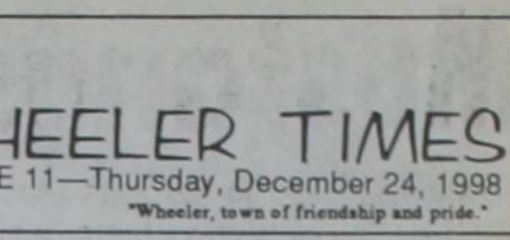
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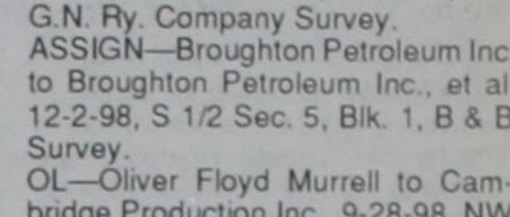
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Looks like we are going to have a little winter following the most pleasant autumn ever. After all Winter does begin the 21st. We went to Sayre today and they were having rain. None here tho.

We have received a lot of lovely cards. Many mentioned the SW News. Thank you so much. I try to make it a Letter from Home. A lot of news, something to laugh about, and something to think about.

Right now with us in war with Iraq and some trying to impeach our president, we really have something to think and pray about.

I am pretty sure that most of the men in America would lie if they were caught out with another woman and that should not be an impeachable offense. It's just human nature.

Mei and Linda Kelley from Clinton were out to see us Monday. They had been to Mrs. Allen's funeral at Wheeler. We got home today from town to find that Santa had been here and left a nice gift inside the screen. No name. Many thanks. We'll have some for supper.

Editha Hildebrand takes her friend Judy to OKC for treatment each week. Last week Erdene Jones went too and they went out to see the lights at Chickasha. They were told that visitors came from coast to coast.

Iva Thompson and Peggy Dunlap went to Amarillo to be with Norma Zellmer and Ollie Anderson while Norma had surgery on her shoulder. They also visited Maurice and Bunchie Hagood.

Arnel Lee Bryan's wife, Shirley, is having treatment at an Amarillo hospital. My cousin Harold Bollen fell and broke his hip. He is in Elk hospital. His wife, Mary, has been there quite a while after having heart surgery in the city.

Joe isn't very steady any more and fell this week. I couldn't get him up and had to call for help. Greg Henson,

Kenny Newell and Marshall Henson were soon here and had him up and in his recliner. They are members of our Sweetwater Volunteer Firemen. We sure did appreciate them.

My sister-in-law, Ruth, called last night to tell me that my brother, Frank Haag, was in ICU at Little Rock Hospital. They aren't sure what is wrong. I hear that the oil well over south

came in good and there is talk that two more are staked out. They were getting right along on the pipe line. Too bad oil is so cheap.

Michael Smith and Emily, Debby and Jamie Anderson visited Helen Smith Saturday.

We see that Barbara and Leo Swope have a beautiful Nativity Scene in their yard. They always decorate so nice.

This is an Okie accent joke. A minister was admiring a lovely Nativity scene in Oklahoma when he noticed that all the Wise Men had firemen's hats on. He rushed up to the folks and told them "That's all wrong. The Wise Men should have turbans on their heads." The Okie turned to him and said, "Sir, Go read your Bible. It very plainly says that the Wise men came from a far."

Joe and Faye Mong to Allen Wade's 91st birthday party at Sayre. Then went on to Dustin where they attended the funeral of Rev. James McMullen.

Memorial rites were held December 14 for James McMullen with Jack Covey and Tom Bauer officiating. He was in the U.S. Air Force during World War II, and went on over 30 bombing missions. He was pastor of the Sweetwater Assembly of God Church for several years. Burial was in the Dustin Cemetery.

Stopped in Sweetwater to get gas and Truman Alexander filled the tank for me. Sure nice of him.

Visited with Charlotte Tignor and Theresa Cummins in town. Think I saw Marcelle Mayes too.

Got a lot of cards with pictures in them. Stan Carpenter sent a picture with the remains of a Spanish Colonial Capitol in Guatemala built hundreds of years ago. Very interesting. Birthday folks are Floyd Pickering,



Johnny Davis, Louise Perry, Beuna Davis, Jeanice Sanders, Irene Burkhalter, Rusty Elam, Margie Banks, Clifford Jones, Kenny Hobbs, Ruth York, Laquense McArthur, and

**Ant It The Truth**  
By Ab Gunter

Looking back over the years Stina Cain and his brother Louis were young men and so many of the other young men and ladies are now grandparents and some are great-grandparents. Wow how time flies.

Harrison, Hiram and I could tell most of you about things that happened 50-60-er 70 years ago. Not to leave out the girls, many of them could add to our yarns about Wheeler Zoo.

Mr. Meriman, the County surveyor was a second cousin to George Washington. Mr. Meriman had a transit that was Georges. I have seen it many times.

Gordon Stiles mother was cousin of Robert E. Lee. Mrs. Stiles had a letter from Mr. Lee.

I, as a child got to see Mark Huselby at Old Mobeetie. My mother was talking to him at the bank of Old Mobeetie. I knew Isabel Huselby, the daughter of Mark. I had been in their old ranch house a couple of times. She had a 3/4 inch rope strung all over the house so she could hold on to it get through the house. She was crippled.

One thing I always enjoyed was the minstrel we had each year. Many of would be involved in this and we had many male and female singers that would do a wonderful job of entertaining a full house each year.

Some years ago at Christmas Time turkeys were tossed off the top of the courthouse. I forget how many of these birds were tossed off, but several. The birds would fly down and you had to be careful not to get scratched by them.

The younger population wouldn't imagine how many farmers and families would come to town on Saturday. Honest you would think everyone in the county was there. When the folks got ready to go home they would do their grocery and dry good shopping and then go home. Many of these folks came by wagon and the little ones would be asleep on a pallet just behind the wagon seat.

Dr. Tate with his traveling show used to come through the country. He had a good clean show and during the so called commercials they would sell Talcum Rub and all sorts of medicine the Dr. made. They would be on Stanley creek just south of the present day swimming pool.

Christmas was some different when I was a little shaver. There was a depression gain on and money was scarce as Hens Teeth. I remember Mr. Tillman was a blacksmith and he lived on the south end of the street.

Faye Mong. Anniversaries are Mr. and Mrs. Earl Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. Durwood York, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Sutton, Happiness to all.  
**AND A Very Merry Christmas to Everyone.**

He was heading north with his head down as a Northern was blowing. Mr. Tillman was depressed as he had no money for the kids. All of a sudden he saw a bill heading his way. He grabbed it and it was a five dollar bill. He went by Mr. Peningtons Store and got a bag full of nuts and fruit. He said they had a wonderful Xmas.

To me Christmas is the thought, not the cost—So Mama, I and our family will just send our love to all.  
Ab, Benita and our Family



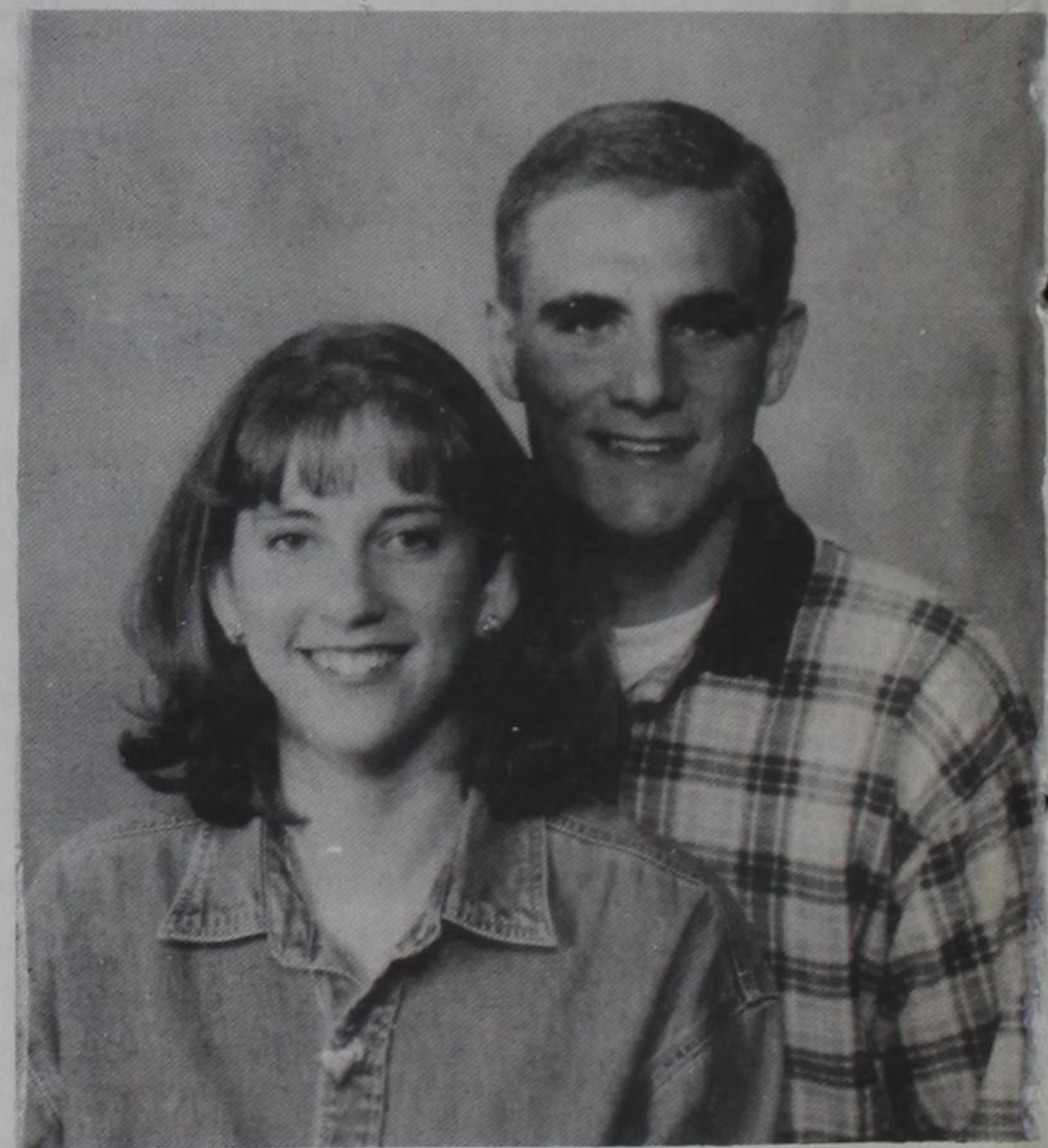
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**Briscoe Campus News:** The basketball teams played Friday in Amarillo against Alamo Catholic. The boys won their game. The girls also won their game. They are out till January 5th. They have no games scheduled this week.

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*Because you have shared in our lives by your friendship and love, we Keri Sue Grayson and Brandon Kirk Dukes together with our parents invite you to share the beginning of our new life together when we exchange marriage vows on Saturday, the ninth day of January nineteen hundred and ninety-nine at three o'clock in the afternoon First Baptist Church Allison, Texas*

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